

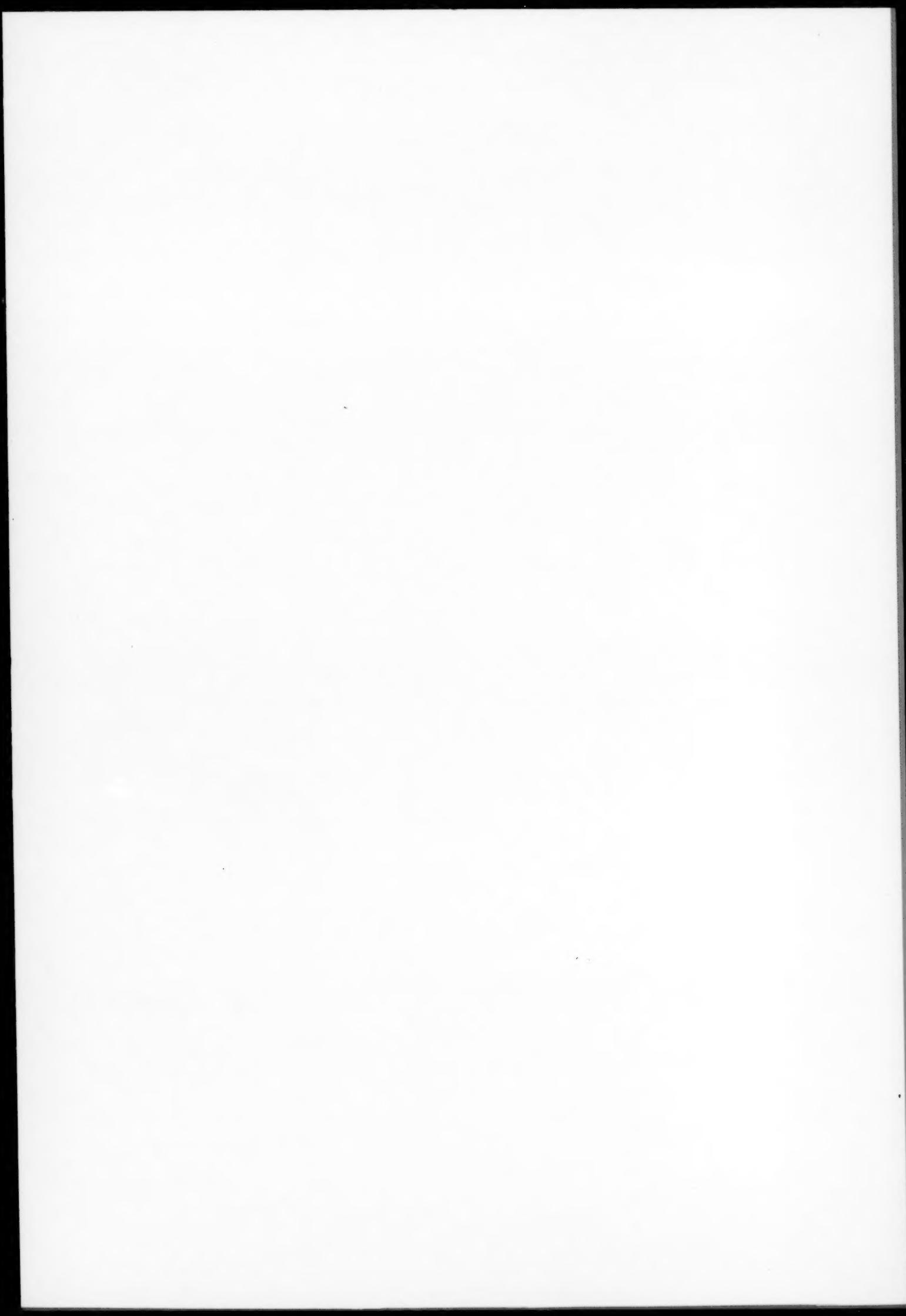
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Spectral synthesis for Euler type operators

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Let $A = (a_{i,j})_{i,j=1}^k$ be a square matrix. The operator

$$D_A = \sum_{i,j=1}^k a_{ij} z_j \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i}$$

is called an Euler type operator generated by the matrix A .

In this paper conditions are obtained on the matrix A and the domain $U \subset \mathbf{C}^k$, under which any closed invariant subspace W of the space $H(U)$ admits a spectral synthesis, i.e. eigen- and associated functions of the operator D_A which belong to W form a complete system on it.

§ I. Holomorphic dependence of functions

Let U be a domain in \mathbf{C}^k ; $H(U)$ will denote the space of holomorphic functions in U with the uniform convergence topology on the compact subsets. For a compact set $K \subset \mathbf{C}^r$, $H(K)$ will denote the space of germs of the holomorphic functions in K with the inductive limit topology (see [5, p. 17]).

Let us consider the system $\varphi(t) = ((\varphi_1(t), \dots, \varphi_r(t))$ of complex functions on the ray $t \leq 0$. Denote by $M(\varphi)$ the closure of the set $\{\varphi(t) : t \leq 0\}$ in the space \mathbf{C}^r . We say that the system $\varphi(t)$ is holomorphically independent if there exists no function h different from zero and holomorphic in a neighbourhood of $M(\varphi)$ such that $h(\varphi(t)) = 0$ for all $t \leq 0$.

We state the basic result of this section.

Theorem 1. Consider a system of exponential monomials $p_i(t) = t^{m_i} \exp \lambda_i t$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, which are bounded on the ray $t \leq 0$. Then there exists a holomorphically independent system $\varphi(t) = (\varphi_1(t), \dots, \varphi_r(t))$, $t \leq 0$, and a set of functions $P_i \in H(M(\varphi))$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, such that for each i we have $p_i(t) = P_i(\varphi(t))$, $t \leq 0$. Moreover, if all $m_i = 0$, then $\varphi_j(t) = \exp \mu_j t$, $j = 1, \dots, r$, $\operatorname{Re} \mu_j > 0$, while in the opposite case $\varphi_1(t) = t \exp \mu_1 t$, $\varphi_j(t) = \exp \mu_{j-1} t$, $j = 2, \dots, r+1$, $\operatorname{Re} \mu_1 > 0$, $\operatorname{Re} \mu_j \geq 0$, $j = 2, \dots, r$.

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For the proof of this theorem we need some auxiliary results.

Lemma 1. *Assume the conditions of Theorem 1 are fulfilled. Then there exists a system of complex numbers $\mu_1, \dots, \mu_r \in \{\operatorname{Re} \mu \geq 0\}$, which is linearly independent over the field Q , such that the representations*

$$\lambda_i = \sum_{j=1}^r d_{ij} \mu_j, \quad d_{ij} \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \quad j = 1, \dots, r,$$

hold and the conditions

- a) $(\operatorname{Re} \lambda_i = 0, \operatorname{Re} \mu_j > 0) \Rightarrow d_{ij} = 0,$
- b) $(\operatorname{Re} \lambda_i > 0, \operatorname{Re} \mu_j > 0) \Rightarrow d_{ij} \geq m_i$

are fulfilled.

Proof. The boundedness of the functions $t^{m_i} \exp \lambda_i t$ on the ray $t \leq 0$ implies that $\operatorname{Re} \lambda_i \geq 0$, and $\operatorname{Re} \lambda_i > 0$ if $m_i > 0$. First we assume that $\operatorname{Re} \lambda_i > 0$ for all i and $\{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_r\}$ is a maximal linearly independent subsystem of the system $\{\lambda_i : i = 1, \dots, n\}$. In this case

$$(1) \quad \lambda_i = \sum_{j=1}^r b_{ij} \lambda_j, \quad i = 1, \dots, n,$$

where $b_{ij} \in Q$. Let us introduce the matrices

$$B = (b_{ij})_{i=1, j=1}^n, \quad \Lambda(\varepsilon) = (\operatorname{Re} \lambda_i (1 + \varepsilon \delta_{ij}))_{i, j=1}^r,$$

where δ_{ij} denotes the Kronecker function.

Since $\operatorname{Re} \lambda_i > 0$, representation (1) implies that the entries of the matrix $B\Lambda(0)$ are positive, therefore the entries of the matrix $B\Lambda(\varepsilon)$ are also positive for sufficiently small ε . The determinant of the matrix $\Lambda(\varepsilon)$ is a nonzero polynomial of ε ; consequently, for sufficiently small $\varepsilon \neq 0$ the matrix $\Lambda(\varepsilon)$ is invertible. For such an ε , let us set

$$\Lambda^{-1}(\varepsilon) = (\kappa_{ij}(\varepsilon))_{i, j=1}^r.$$

We have

$$\sum_{j=1}^r \kappa_{ij}(\varepsilon) (1 + \varepsilon \delta_{ii}) \operatorname{Re} \lambda_j = \delta_{ii},$$

and consequently,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{j=1}^r \kappa_{ij}(\varepsilon) (1 + \varepsilon \delta_{ji}) \operatorname{Re} \lambda_j &= \sum_{j=1}^r \sum_{i=1}^r \kappa_{ij}(\varepsilon) (1 + \varepsilon \delta_{ii}) \operatorname{Re} \lambda_j = \\ &= (r + \varepsilon) \sum_{j=1}^r \kappa_{jj}(\varepsilon) \operatorname{Re} \lambda_j = 1, \end{aligned}$$

so that the entries of the matrix $\Lambda^{-1}(\varepsilon) \Lambda(0)$ are positive.

Thus, we have shown that, for sufficiently small $\varepsilon \neq 0$, the entries of the matrices $B\Lambda(\varepsilon)$, $\Lambda^{-1}(\varepsilon)\Lambda(0)$ are positive. Varying the entries of the matrix $\Lambda(\varepsilon)$ to sufficiently small values, we can find a matrix $C = (c_{ij})_{i,j=1}^r$ such that $c_{ij} \in Q$ and the entries of the matrices BC , $C^{-1}\Lambda(0)$ are positive. Put

$$BC = (d_{il})_{i=1}^n, \quad l=1, \quad C^{-1} = (\varkappa_{ij})_{i,j=1}^r, \quad \mu_j = \sum_{l=1}^r \varkappa_{jl} \lambda_l, \quad j = 1, \dots, r.$$

Then $\operatorname{Re} \mu_j > 0$, $j = 1, \dots, r$,

$$\lambda_i = \sum_{j=1}^r d_{ij} \mu_j, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \quad d_{ij} \in Q, \quad d_{ij} > 0.$$

Replacing the system $\{\mu_j: j=1, \dots, r\}$ by the system $\{\mu_j/m: j=1, \dots, r\}$, where m is a sufficiently large integer, we obtain a system with the required properties.

Now we turn to the general case. Let us select subsystems $M_1 \subset \{\lambda \in M: \operatorname{Re} \lambda = 0\}$ and $M_2 \subset \{\lambda \in M: \operatorname{Re} \lambda > 0\}$ from the system $M = \{\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n\}$, such that M_1 forms a maximal linearly independent subsystem over Q of the system $\{\lambda \in M: \operatorname{Re} \lambda = 0\}$, and $M_1 \cup M_2$ forms that of M . Any $\lambda \in M$ admits the decomposition $\lambda = \lambda' + \lambda''$ where λ' and λ'' belong to the linear spans over Q of M_1 and M_2 , respectively. From what we have proved above it follows that we can find a linearly independent system μ_1, \dots, μ_r , $\operatorname{Re} \mu_j > 0$, $j = 1, \dots, r$, over Q such that if $\lambda_i \in M$ and $\operatorname{Re} \lambda_i > 0$, then

$$\lambda''_i = \sum_{j=1}^r d_{ij} \mu_j, \quad d_{ij} \in \mathbf{Z}, \quad d_{ij} \geq m_i.$$

Dividing the elements of M_1 by a sufficiently large integer, we obtain a system μ_{r+1}, \dots, μ_k for which the numbers λ' are expanded with integral coefficients. It is easy to see that the system $\{\mu_1, \dots, \mu_k\}$ satisfies all requirements of Lemma 1.

Set

$$\varphi_j(t) = e^{\mu_j t}, \quad j = 1, \dots, r, \quad P_i(w) = \prod_{j=1}^r w_j^{d_{ij}}, \quad w \in \mathbf{C}^r$$

if all $m_i = 0$, and set

$$\varphi_1(t) = t e^{\mu_1 t}, \quad \varphi_j(t) = e^{\mu_{j-1} t}, \quad j = 2, \dots, r+1, \quad P_i(w) = w_1^{m_i} w_2^{c_{i1}-m_i} \prod_{j=3}^{r+1} w_j^{d_{ij}-1}$$

otherwise.

In order to complete the proof of Theorem 1, it suffices to show that the system $\varphi(t)$ is holomorphically independent. This follows from the following.

Lemma 2. *Let $\alpha_n \in \mathbf{Z}$, $\alpha_n \geq 0$, $\beta_n \in \mathbf{C}$, $n = 1, \dots$, let the pairs (α_n, β_n) be different for different n -s, let the set $\{\operatorname{Re} \beta_n \leq b\}$ be finite for all b , and finally suppose that there exists $c > 0$ such that $\alpha_n \leq c \operatorname{Re} \beta_n$ for all n . If the sequence $a_n \in \mathbf{C}$, $n \geq 1$ is such*

that, for $t \leq t_0 \leq 0$, the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n t^{\alpha_n} e^{\beta_n t}$$

converges absolutely to 0, then $a_n = 0$, $n = 1, \dots$.

Proof. Assume that the statement of the lemma fails, and set

$$\beta = \min \{\operatorname{Re} \beta_n : a_n \neq 0\}, \quad \alpha = \max \{\alpha_n : \operatorname{Re} \beta_n = \beta, a_n \neq 0\}.$$

Since the set $\{\operatorname{Re} \beta_n\}$ is discrete, there exists $\delta > 0$ such that $\operatorname{Re} \beta_n \geq \beta + \delta$ if $\operatorname{Re} \beta_n > \beta$. For $c_1 = (c\beta - \alpha)\delta^{-1} + c$, the inequality

$$(\alpha_n - \alpha) \leq c_1(\operatorname{Re} \beta_n - \beta)$$

holds if $a_n \neq 0$.

Let us fix an $\varepsilon > 0$. There exists a number $t_1 \leq t_0$ such that, for $t \leq t_1$, $\operatorname{Re} \beta_n = \beta$, $\alpha_n < \alpha$, we have

$$(\alpha_n - \alpha)(\ln |t| - \ln |t_0|) \leq \ln \varepsilon,$$

and for $\operatorname{Re} \beta_n > \beta$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} (\alpha_n - \alpha)(\ln |t| - \ln |t_0|) + (\operatorname{Re} \beta_n - \beta)(t - t_0) &\leq c_1(\operatorname{Re} \beta_n - \beta)(\ln |t| - \ln |t_0|) + \\ &+ (\operatorname{Re} \beta_n - \beta)(t - t_0) = (\operatorname{Re} \beta_n - \beta)[c_1(\ln |t| - \ln |t_0|) + (t - t_0)] \leq \ln \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

For $t \leq t_1$ we obtain

$$\left| t^{-\alpha} e^{-\beta t} \sum_{(\alpha_n, \operatorname{Re} \beta_n) \neq (\alpha, \beta)} a_n t^{\alpha_n} e^{\beta_n t} \right| \leq \varepsilon |t_0^{-\alpha} e^{-\beta t_0}| \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |a_n t_0^{\alpha_n} e^{\beta_n t_0}|.$$

So, we have shown that

$$(2) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \left[t^{-\alpha} e^{-\beta t} \sum_{(\alpha_n, \operatorname{Re} \beta_n) = (\alpha, \beta)} a_n t^{\alpha_n} e^{\beta_n t} \right] = 0.$$

The function inside the brackets is almost periodic on the real axis and according to (2), $a_n = 0$ follows for $(\alpha_n, \operatorname{Re} \beta_n) \neq (\alpha, \beta)$ (see [7, pp. 239—250]). This contradicts our assumption.

Corollary. Let $\mu_1, \dots, \mu_p \in \mathbb{C}$, $\operatorname{Re} \mu_1 > 0$, $\operatorname{Re} \mu_j \geq 0$, $j = 2, \dots, p$, and let the system μ_1, \dots, μ_p be linearly independent over \mathbb{Q} . Then the system of functions

$$\varphi_1(t) = t \exp \mu_1 t, \quad \varphi_j(t) = \exp \mu_{j-1} t, \quad j = 2, \dots, p+1,$$

is holomorphically independent.

Proof. By virtue of Kronecker's theorem (see [2, p. 314]), the set $M(\varphi)$ contains a subset $\{(w_1, \dots, w_{p+1})$ such that $|w_i| = 0$ if $\operatorname{Re} \mu_i > 0$, and $|w_i| = 1$ if $\operatorname{Re} \mu_i = 0$, $i = 1, \dots, p+1\}$. So, the functions $h \in H(M(\varphi))$ can be expanded into a Laurent series

$$h(w) = \sum a_{\alpha} w^{\alpha}$$

in a neighbourhood of this set. Let the function h be equal to zero on $M(\varphi)$. Then there exists $t_0 \leq 0$ such that, for $t \leq t_0$, the series

$$\sum a_\alpha t^{\alpha_1} e^{\alpha \mu t}, \quad \alpha \mu = \alpha_1 \mu_1 + \sum_{j=1}^p \alpha_{j+1} \mu_j,$$

converges absolutely to zero. We shall show that this series satisfies the conditions of Lemma 2.

The set $\{\operatorname{Re} \alpha \mu \leq b\}$ is finite, since

$$\operatorname{Re} \alpha \mu \geq \left(\sum_{j=1}^{p+1} \alpha_j \right) \min_{\operatorname{Re} \mu_j \neq 0} \operatorname{Re} \mu_j.$$

The pairs $(\alpha_1, \alpha \mu)$ are different by virtue of the linear independence of the system $\{\mu_2, \dots, \mu_p\}$, and the number $c = (\operatorname{Re} \mu_1)^{-1}$ satisfies the inequality

$$\alpha_1 \leq c \operatorname{Re} \alpha \mu.$$

Thus, by Lemma 2, $a_\alpha = 0$ and $h \equiv 0$.

Now, we prove the statement which allows us to construct holomorphically dependent systems of functions.

Lemma 3. *Let $D \subset \mathbf{C}^n$ be a domain of holomorphy, $U \subset \mathbf{C}^k$ be an arbitrary domain, the holomorphic mapping $F: U \rightarrow D$ be proper, and $m > k$. Then there exists a function $h \in H(D)$ such that $h \not\equiv 0$ and $h \circ F \equiv 0$ on U .*

Proof. Since $m > k$, there exists a point $w \in D$ such that $w \notin F(U)$. By a theorem of REMMERT [3, p. 55], the set $F(U)$ is analytic in the domain D . Therefore, the set $\{w\} \cup F(U)$ is also analytic. Every function, which is zero on the set $F(U)$ and equals 1 at the point w , is analytic on the set $\{w\} \cup F(U)$. By a theorem of CARTAN [4, p. 313] there exists a function $h \in H(D)$, $h(w) = 1$, $h \circ F \equiv 0$ on U . The lemma is proved.

Example. The system (te^t, e^{-at}) , $a > 0$, is holomorphically dependent. Indeed, the mapping $F(w) = (we^w, e^{-aw})$ from \mathbf{C} to \mathbf{C}^2 is proper: if

$$w_n \rightarrow \infty, \quad w_n \exp w_n \rightarrow \alpha, \quad \exp(-aw_n) \rightarrow \beta,$$

where $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbf{C}$, then

$$(\exp w_n \rightarrow 0) \Rightarrow (\operatorname{Re} w_n \rightarrow -\infty) \Rightarrow (e^{-aw_n} \rightarrow \infty),$$

which is a contradiction.

From Lemma 3 we obtain that there exists a function $h \in H(\mathbf{C}^2)$, $h \not\equiv 0$, such that

$$h(we^w, e^{-aw}) = 0, \quad w \in \mathbf{C}.$$

§ 2. A Mittag-Leffler type theorem for invariant subspaces

In this section we show that any closed D_A -invariant subspace of the space $H(U)$ admits a spectral synthesis, provided that for any point $z \in U$ the closure of the set $\{(\exp tA)z: t \leq 0\}$ is compact and lies in the domain U .

Definition. We call a domain $U \subset \mathbb{C}^k$ *A-star like* if for every $z \in U$ the set $\{(\exp tA)z: t \leq 0\}$ lies in the domain U . We call U *strongly A-star like* if the closures of these sets also lie in U .

The operator D_A admits the following representation.

Lemma 4. *If a function f belongs to $H(U)$, then*

$$(D_A^m f)(z) = \frac{\partial^m}{\partial t^m} \Big|_{t=0} f(e^{tA} z), \quad m \geq 0.$$

Proof. By definition,

$$(D_A f)(z) = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial z_i} \right)_{i=1}^k A z,$$

therefore

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial t} f(e^{tA} z) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \tau} \Big|_{\tau=0} f(e^{(t+\tau)A} z) = \left(\frac{\partial f}{\partial z_i} \right)_{i=1}^k e^{tA} A z = (D_A f)(e^{tA} z).$$

Arguing further by induction, the lemma will be proved.

Corollary. *Let $U \subset \mathbb{C}^k$ be an A-star like domain and $W \subset H(U)$ be a closed D_A -invariant subspace. Then*

$$f \in W \Rightarrow f(e^{tA} z) \in W, \quad t \leq 0.$$

Proof. Let us consider an arbitrary linear continuous functional S on the space $H(U)$ which annihilates the subspace W . There exists a measure ν with compact support $K \subset U$ such that for $g \in H(U)$

$$\langle S, g \rangle = \int_K g(z) d\nu(z).$$

The function

$$\psi(h) = \int_K f(e^{hA} z) d\nu(z)$$

is holomorphic in a neighbourhood of the ray $t \leq 0$. Let us consider the derivatives of this function at zero:

$$\psi^{(m)}(0) = \int_K \frac{\partial^m}{\partial t^m} \Big|_{t=0} f(e^{tA} z) d\nu(z) = \int_K (D_A^m f)(z) d\nu(z) = \langle S, D_A^m f \rangle = 0.$$

Thus, for $t \leq 0$,

$$\langle S, f(e^{tA}z) \rangle = 0.$$

By the Hahn—Banach theorem, $f(e^{tA}z) \in W$. The Corollary is proved.

Let us consider an arbitrary system $\varphi(t) = (\varphi_1(t), \dots, \varphi_p(t))$ of bounded continuous functions on $(-\infty, 0]$ and a quadratic matrix $E(w)$ of order k , whose entries are holomorphic in a domain $\sigma \supset M(\varphi)$ and such that $E(\varphi(t)) = \exp tA$, $t \leq 0$.

For a strongly A -star like domain U and a compact set $K \subset U$, put

$$(U, K) = \{w \in \sigma : E(w)K \subset U\}.$$

This set is open and contains the compact set $M(\varphi)$. Indeed, for any point $w \in M(\varphi)$ there exists a sequence $\{t_n\}$, $t_n \leq 0$ such that $\varphi(t_n) \rightarrow w$. Therefore, for $z \in U$ we have

$$E(w)z = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(\varphi(t_n))z = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{t_n A}z \in U$$

because the domain U is strongly A -star like.

To an arbitrary functional $T \in H^*(M(\varphi))$ there corresponds an operator \tilde{T} acting on the space $H(U)$ such that

$$(\tilde{T}f)(z) = \langle T, f(E(w)z) \rangle.$$

If $K \subset U$ is compact, then the function $f(E(w)z)$ is holomorphic with respect to the variable w on the set (U, K) and with respect to z in the interior of the compact set K . Thus, the function $\tilde{T}f$ is holomorphic on U .

Assume that the system of functions $T_n \in H^*(M(\varphi))$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$, has the uniqueness property

$$(h \in H(M(\varphi)), \langle T_n, h \rangle = 0, \forall n \geq 1) \Rightarrow h \equiv 0.$$

In this case the following result is valid.

Lemma 5. *There exists a system consisting of the numbers $e_{nm} \in \mathbf{C}$, $n \geq 1$, $m = 1, \dots, n$, such that for any strongly A -star like domain $U \subset \mathbf{C}^k$ and function $f \in H(U)$ we have*

$$f(z) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{m=1}^n e_{nm} (\tilde{T}f)(z).$$

The convergence is meant in the topology of the space $H(U)$.

Proof. The space of the germs of holomorphic functions on the compact set $H(M(\varphi))$ is an $(\mathcal{L}N^*)$ space (see [6], [5, p. 18]); moreover, its dual $H^*(M(\varphi))$ is an (M^*) space, and consequently, it is metrizable and reflexive.

The system $\{T_n\}$ is complete in the space $H^*(M(\varphi))$ by virtue of the uniqueness property and the Hahn—Banach theorem. Therefore, for the functional $T_0 \in$

$\in H^*(M(\varphi))$, $\langle T_0, h \rangle = h(\varphi(0))$ and there exists a sequence $e_{nm} \in \mathbf{C}$ such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{m=1}^n e_{nm} T_m = T_0$$

in the topology of the space $H^*(M(\varphi))$, i.e. uniformly on any bounded set of the space $H(M(\varphi))$. If $K \subset U$ is compact, then the set of functions $\{f(E(w)z) : z \in K\}$ of the variable w is bounded on the space $H(M(\varphi))$, so that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{m=1}^n e_{nm} \langle T_n, f(E(w)z) \rangle = f(E(\varphi(0)z)) = f(z)$$

uniformly on K . The lemma is proved.

Corollary. Let $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k \in \mathbf{C}$, $\operatorname{Re} \lambda_i > 0$, $i = 1, \dots, k$. Then there exists a sequence $e_{n\alpha}$ (α -multiindex of order k) such that for any domain $U \subset \mathbf{C}^k$ with the properties

- a) $0 \in U$,
- b) $z \in U$, $t \leq 0 \Rightarrow (e^{\lambda_1 t} z_1, \dots, e^{\lambda_k t} z_k) \in U$,

and for any function $f \in H(U)$ the representation

$$f(z) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq n} e_{n\alpha} f^{(\alpha)}(0) z^\alpha$$

holds in the topology of the space $H(U)$.

Proof. Set $\varphi(t) = (\exp \lambda_1 t, \dots, \exp \lambda_k t)$, $A = \operatorname{diag}(\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k)$, $E(w) = \operatorname{diag}(w_1, \dots, w_k)$, $\langle T_\alpha, h \rangle = h^{(\alpha)}(0)$. Then the domain U with the properties a) and b) is strongly A -star like, $(\tilde{T}_\alpha f)(z) = f^{(\alpha)}(0) z^\alpha$, and the statement follows from Lemma 5.

Remark. For $k=1$, the converse result is also valid (see [1, p. 38]).

Lemma 6. Let the system $\varphi(t)$ be holomorphically independent and the domain $U \subset \mathbf{C}^k$ be strongly A -star like. Then for any functional $T \in H^*(M(\varphi))$ and closed D_A -invariant subspace $W \in H(U)$, the operator \tilde{T} maps W into W .

Proof. Let f be an element of W and suppose that the functional $S \in H^*(U)$ annihilates the space W . There exists a measure v with compact support $K \subset U$ such that, for $g \in H(U)$,

$$\langle S, g \rangle = \int_K g(z) dv(z).$$

The function

$$h(w) = \int_K f(E(w)z) dv(z)$$

is holomorphic on the set (U, K) and, according to Lemma 4, the equality

$$h(\varphi(t)) = 0, \quad t \leq 0,$$

is fulfilled. Therefore, $h(w) = 0$ in a connected component containing the set $M(\varphi)$. Using Fubini's theorem, we obtain

$$\langle S, Tf(E(w)z) \rangle = 0.$$

By the Hahn—Banach theorem, $\tilde{T}f \in W$. The lemma is proved.

Assume that the entries of the matrix $\exp tA$ are bounded for $t \leq 0$, that is, they are linear combinations of the functions $t^{m_i} \exp \lambda_i t$, $\operatorname{Re} \lambda_i \geq 0$, and if $\operatorname{Re} \lambda_i \geq 0$, then $m_i = 0$, $i = 1, \dots, k$. For definiteness we will assume that not all the m_i are zero. By Theorem 1, there exists a holomorphically independent system of functions $\varphi(t) = (t \exp \mu_1 t, \exp \mu_1 t, \exp \mu_2 t, \dots, \exp \mu_r t)$ and a quadratic matrix $E(w)$ of order k with entries in the set $H(M(\varphi))$ such that $\operatorname{Re} \mu_1 > 0, \dots, \operatorname{Re} \mu_p > 0, \operatorname{Re} \mu_{p+1} = 0, \dots, \operatorname{Re} \mu_r = 0$ and $E(\varphi(t)) = \exp tA$.

Since the system μ_{p+1}, \dots, μ_r is linearly independent over Q , it follows from Kronecker's theorem that $M(\varphi)$ contains the set

$$(3) \quad \prod_{j=0}^p \{0\} \times \prod_{j=p+1}^r \{|w_j| = 1\}.$$

An arbitrary function $h \in H(M(\varphi))$ can be expanded into a Laurent series

$$h(w) = \sum \langle T_\alpha, h \rangle w^\alpha$$

in a neighbourhood of the set (3), where $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_r)$ is a multiindex, $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_p$ are nonnegative integers, and $\alpha_{p+1}, \dots, \alpha_r$ are integers. The functionals T_α belong to the space $H^*(M(\varphi))$ and form a complete system in it, because $M(\varphi)$ is a connected compact set.

For the functionals T_α the following result is valid.

Lemma 7. *Let $U \subset \mathbf{C}^k$ be a strongly A -star like domain and $f \in H(U)$. Then, for any multiindex α , the function $\tilde{T}_\alpha f$ is a root function of the operator D_A .*

Proof. Let us consider an arbitrary point z_0 in U and let K be the closure of the set $\{(\exp tA)z_0 : t \leq 0\}$. By virtue of the conditions on the matrix A and the domain U , K is compact and lies in U .

For $z \in K$, the function $f(E(w)z)$ can be expanded into a Laurent series with respect to the variable w in a neighbourhood G of the set (3) as follows

$$f(E(w)z) = \sum (\tilde{T}_\beta f)(z) w^\beta, \quad z \in K, \quad w \in G.$$

There exists $\tau_0 \leq 0$ such that, for $\tau \leq \tau_0$, the point $\varphi(t)$ belongs to the set G , and consequently,

$$f(e^{\tau A} z) = \sum (\tilde{T}_\beta f)(z) \tau^{\beta_1} e^{\beta \mu \tau}, \quad z \in K, \quad \tau \leq \tau_0,$$

where

$$\beta\mu = (\beta_1 + \beta_2)\mu_1 + \beta_3\mu_2 + \dots + \beta_{r+1}\mu_r.$$

Since for $t \leq 0$ we have $(\exp tA)z_0 \in K$, it follows that on the one hand,

$$f(e^{(\tau+t)A}z_0) = f(e^{\tau A}e^{tA}z_0) = \sum (\tilde{T}_\beta f)(e^{tA}z_0) \tau^{\beta_1} e^{\beta\mu\tau}$$

and, on the other hand,

$$f(e^{(\tau+t)A}z_0) = \sum (\tilde{T}_\beta f)(z_0) (\tau + t)^{\beta_1} e^{\beta\mu(\tau+t)}.$$

The absolute convergence of the last series implies the absolute convergence of the series

$$\sum (\tilde{T}_\beta f)(z_0) \binom{\beta_1}{S} \tau^{\beta_1-S} t^S e^{\beta\mu(\tau+t)}.$$

Comparing the coefficients of $\tau^{\alpha_1} \exp \alpha\mu\tau$ in the two expansions of the function $f((\exp(\tau+t)A)t_0)$ and using Lemma 2 yields

$$(\tilde{T}_\alpha f)(e^{tA}z_0) = \sum_{S=0}^{\alpha_2} \binom{\alpha_1 + S}{S} (\tilde{T}_{(\alpha_1+S, \alpha_2-S, \alpha_3, \dots, \alpha_{r+1})} f)(z_0) t^S e^{\alpha\mu t}.$$

Hence, according to Lemma 4, we have

$$D_A \tilde{T}_\alpha = (\alpha_1 + 1) \tilde{T}_{(\alpha_1+1, \alpha_2-1, \alpha_3, \dots, \alpha_{r+1})} + \alpha\mu \tilde{T}_2 \quad \text{if } \alpha_2 > 0,$$

and

$$D_A \tilde{T}_\alpha = \alpha\mu \tilde{T}_\alpha \quad \text{if } \alpha_2 = 0.$$

Thus,

$$(D_A - \alpha\mu I)^{\alpha_2+1} \tilde{T}_\alpha = 0,$$

where $I: H(U) \rightarrow H(U)$ is the identity operator. The lemma is proved.

Summing up what has been proved in the last three lemmas we can deduce the following.

Theorem 2. *Let A be a quadratic matrix of order k such that the entries of the matrix $\exp tA$ are bounded on the ray $t \leq 0$. Then there exists a linear continuous operator \mathcal{L}_α on the space of the functions holomorphic on the strongly A -star like domains of \mathbb{C}^k and there exists a sequence of numbers $e_{n\alpha}$ such that, for any strongly A -star like domain $U \subset \mathbb{C}^k$ and closed D_A -invariant subspace W of the space $H(U)$, the representation*

$$f \in W \Rightarrow f(z) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{|\alpha| \leq n} e_{n\alpha} \mathcal{L}_\alpha f$$

is valid in the topology of $H(U)$. The function $\mathcal{L}_\alpha f$ also belongs to W and is a root function of D_A .

§ 3. Subspaces without spectral synthesis

In this section we present examples demonstrating the exactness of Theorem 2.

First, we shall show that, without the requirement of star-likeness of the domain U , possibly there exists no synthesis even for $k=1$.

Let the domain be defined by $U = \mathbf{C} \setminus (\{\operatorname{Im} z=0, \operatorname{Re} z \geq 1\} \cup \{\operatorname{Im} z \geq 0, \operatorname{Re} z=1\})$ and the space by

$$W = \{f \in H(\mathbf{C} \setminus \{1, -1\}): f(z) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } z \rightarrow \infty, \text{ and } f(-z) = f(z)\}.$$

The space W is closed in the space $H(U)$ since the functions in W are even and the sections of U are nonsymmetric. If $f \in W$, then $zf'(z) \in W$.

In W there is no eigenfunction for the operator $z\partial/\partial z$ because if $g \in W$ and $zg'(z) = \lambda g(z)$ for any $\lambda \in \mathbf{C}$, then the expansion of g in a neighbourhood of zero implies that g is an entire function, and consequently, it is identically zero.

We shall give an example which shows the importance of the condition of strongly star-likeness.

Let A be a diagonal matrix of second order with eigenvalues 1 and i , U be the domain $(\mathbf{C} \setminus \{0\})^2$. If $z \in U$, then $(\exp tA)z \in U$ for any $t \in \mathbf{C}$.

Let us consider the space

$$W = \{g \in H(U): g(e^t, e^{it}) = 0, t \in \mathbf{C}\}.$$

This is a closed subspace of $H(U)$ and invariant for the operator D_A . The mapping $h: \mathbf{C} \rightarrow U$, $h(t) = (e^t, e^{it})$ is proper, therefore Lemma 3 implies that the space W is nontrivial. However, there is no eigenfunction for the operator D_A in W . Indeed, let $D_A g = \lambda g$ be valid for some $g \in W$ and $\lambda \in \mathbf{C}$. Consider the expansion of g into a Laurent series

$$g(z) = \sum a_\alpha z^\alpha$$

and apply the operator D_A . We obtain that $(\alpha_1 + i\alpha_2 - \lambda)a_\alpha = 0$ for all α , therefore $g(z) = a_{\alpha_0} z^{\alpha_0}$ with certain integers α_1^0 and α_2^0 , but we have $a_{\alpha_0} = 0$ since $g \in W$.

Theorem 2 implies that if for a quadratic matrix A of order k there exists $\gamma \in \mathbf{C}$, $\gamma \neq 0$, such that the entries of the set of matrices $\{\exp t\gamma A: t \leq 0\}$ are uniformly bounded, then any closed D_A -invariant subspace of $H(\mathbf{C}^k)$ admits a spectral synthesis. The converse result is also valid.

Theorem 3. *Let A be a quadratic matrix of order k such that for any $\gamma \in \mathbf{C}$, $\gamma \neq 0$, the entries of the set of matrices $\{\exp t\gamma A: t \leq 0\}$ are not uniformly bounded. Then there exists a closed D_A -invariant nontrivial subspace of $H(\mathbf{C}^k)$ without any eigenfunction of D_A .*

Proof. We may assume that A has a Jordan form. First we examine the following cases:

1) $k = 2$, $A = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 \end{pmatrix}$. We take

$$W = \{g(z_2)e^{z_1} : g \in H(\mathbf{C})\}.$$

For a function f in W we have $(D_A f)(z) = z_2 f(z)$ and this implies that there exists no eigenfunction in W .

2) $k = 3$, $A = \begin{pmatrix} \lambda & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \lambda & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & -b\lambda \end{pmatrix}$, $b \in \mathbf{R}$, $b > 0$, $\lambda \neq 0$.

If b is an irrational number, then set

$$W = \{f \in H(\mathbf{C}^3) : f(te^{\lambda t}, e^{\lambda t}, e^{-b\lambda t}) = 0, t \in \mathbf{C}\}.$$

The mapping

$$h: \mathbf{C} \rightarrow \mathbf{C}^3, \quad h(w) = (we^{\lambda w}, e^{\lambda w}, e^{-b\lambda w})$$

is proper. Therefore, by Lemma 3, W is a nontrivial space.

We shall find the eigenfunctions of D_A . Let $g \in H(\mathbf{C}^3)$,

$$g(z) = \sum_{|\alpha| \leq 0} a_\alpha z^\alpha, \quad D_A g = \mu g.$$

The Taylor coefficients satisfy the relations

$$(\mu - \lambda \alpha_1 + b\lambda \alpha_3) a_{\alpha_1 0 \alpha_3} = 0,$$

$$(\mu - \lambda \alpha_1 - \lambda \alpha_2 + b\lambda \alpha_3) a_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \alpha_3} - (\alpha_1 - 1) a_{\alpha_1 + 1 \alpha_2 - 1 \alpha_3} = 0.$$

Hence, we obtain

$$(\mu - \lambda \alpha_1 - \lambda \alpha_2 + b\lambda \alpha_3)^{\alpha_2} a_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \alpha_3} = \frac{(\alpha_1 + \alpha_2)!}{\alpha_1!} a_{\alpha_1 + \alpha_2 0 \alpha_3},$$

$$\alpha_1! a_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2 \alpha_3} = (\mu - \lambda \alpha_1 - \lambda \alpha_2 + b\lambda \alpha_3)^{\alpha_1} a_{0 \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 \alpha_3}.$$

If $\lambda \alpha_1 + \lambda \alpha_2 - b\lambda \alpha_3 \neq \mu$ or $\lambda \alpha_1 + \lambda \alpha_2 - b\lambda \alpha_3 = \mu$ and $\alpha_1 \neq 0$, then it follows from the above mentioned equalities that $\alpha_2 = 0$. Since b is an irrational number, there exists at most one pair (α_2, α_3) such that $\lambda \alpha_2 - b\lambda \alpha_3 = \mu$. Thus,

$$g(z) = cz_2^{\alpha_2} z_3^{\alpha_3}.$$

The function g belongs to W only in the case if $c=0$.

Let now b be a rational number, $b=p/q$ where p, q are positive integers. If we set

$$W = \{g(z_2^p z_3^q) e^{z_1 z_2^{p-1} z_3^q} : g \in H(\mathbf{C})\},$$

then using Lemma 4, for $f \in W$ we obtain

$$(D_A f)(z) = z_2^p z_3^q f(z).$$

This implies that W is D_A -invariant and does not contain eigenfunctions for D_A .

3) $k=3$ and the origin is an inner point of the convex hull of the set of eigenvalues $\{\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3\}$ for the matrix A . If the system $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$ is linearly independent over Q , then set

$$W = \{f \in H(\mathbf{C}^3) : f(e^{\lambda_1 t}, e^{\lambda_2 t}, e^{\lambda_3 t}) = 0\}.$$

Arguing as in Section 2) it can be proved that this space satisfies the conditions of the theorem.

Let now the system $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3$ be linearly dependent, $k_1\lambda_1 + k_2\lambda_2 + k_3\lambda_3 = 0$, where k_1, k_2, k_3 are integers. From the assumption on this system it follows that k_1, k_2, k_3 differ from 0, are of the same sign, and we may assume that each of them is positive.

For W put

$$W = \left\{ f \in H(\mathbf{C}^3) : f(e^{\lambda_1 t}, e^{\lambda_2 t}, e^{\lambda_3 t}) = 0, \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial z_1 \partial z_2 \partial z_3} \equiv 0 \right\}.$$

It is easy to see that this is a closed D_A -invariant space. We shall show that it contains nonzero functions. The mapping

$$h: \mathbf{C} \rightarrow (\mathbf{C} \setminus \{0\}) \times (\mathbf{C} \setminus \{0\}), \quad h(w) = (e^{k_1 \lambda_1 w}, e^{k_2 \lambda_2 w}),$$

is proper because $\lambda_1/\lambda_2 \notin \mathbf{R}$. Therefore, there exists a nonzero function $\varphi \in H((\mathbf{C} \setminus \{0\}) \times (\mathbf{C} \setminus \{0\}))$ for which

$$\varphi(\exp k_1 \lambda_1 w, \exp k_2 \lambda_2 w) = 0.$$

Let

$$\varphi(v_1, v_2) = \sum a_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2} v_1^{\alpha_1} v_2^{\alpha_2},$$

where α_1, α_2 are integers. Let us introduce the following entire functions of three variables:

$$f_1(z) = \sum_{\alpha_1, \alpha_2 \geq 0} a_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2} z_1^{k_1 \alpha_1} z_2^{k_2 \alpha_2}, \quad f_2(z) = \sum_{\alpha_1 \geq \alpha_2, \alpha_2 < 0} a_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2} z_1^{k_1(\alpha_1 - \alpha_2)} z_3^{-k_3 \alpha_2},$$

$$f_3(z) = \sum_{\alpha_1 \leq \alpha_2, \alpha_1 < 0} a_{\alpha_1 \alpha_2} z_2^{k_2(\alpha_2 - \alpha_1)} z_3^{-k_3 \alpha_2}.$$

The function $f = f_1 + f_2 + f_3$ differs from zero because at least one of its Taylor coefficients is nonzero and $f \in W$.

Let $g \in W$, $D_A g = \mu g$. Expanding the function into a Taylor series and applying the operator D_A , we obtain

$$(\lambda_1 \alpha_1 + \lambda_2 \alpha_2 + \lambda_3 \alpha_3 - \mu) d_\alpha = 0,$$

where the d_α are the Taylor coefficients. Since

$$\frac{\partial^3 g}{\partial z_1 \partial z_2 \partial z_3} \equiv 0 \text{ we have } \alpha_1 \alpha_2 \alpha_3 d_\alpha = 0.$$

From these two equalities we obtain that there exists no more than one index α such that $d_\alpha \neq 0$. Thus,

$$g(z) = d_\alpha z^\alpha,$$

but this function belongs to W only if $d_\alpha = 0$.

One can examine analogously the case when $k=4$, the origin is an inner point of the convex hull of the eigenvalues $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \lambda_3, \lambda_4$ of A , but is not an inner point of the convex hull of any three of these eigenvalues.

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Спектральный синтез для операторов типа Эйлера

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Пусть $A = (a_{ij})_{i,j=1}^k$ — квадратная матрица k -того порядка, $a_{ij} \in \mathbb{C}$. Сопоставим ей следующий дифференциальный оператор:

$$D_A = \sum_{i,j=1}^k a_{ij} z_j \frac{\partial}{\partial z_i}.$$

В работе доказано: если матрица A и область $U \subset \mathbb{C}^k$ таковы, что для любой точки $Z \in U$ замыкание множества

$$\{e^{tA}z : t \geq 0\}$$

является компактом, лежащим в области U , то любое замкнутое D_A -инвариантное подпространство W пространства $H(U)$ допускает спектральный синтез, то есть корневые функции оператора D_A , попавшие в пространство W , полны в нем.

Приведены примеры, показывающие точность этого результата.

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ОТДЕЛ ФИЗИКИ И МАТЕМАТИКИ БАШКИРСКОГО ФИЛИАЛА АН СССР

On p -Helson sets in \mathbf{R}^n

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In this work we are going to investigate the structure of p -Helson sets in \mathbf{R}^n . A closed subset of \mathbf{R}^n is said to be p -Helson if every continuous function defined on this set can be extended to a function of class $A_p(\mathbf{R}^n)$. (Here $A_p(\mathbf{R}^n)$ stands for the system of functions with p -summable Fourier series.) Historically, the first result concerning sets with this property is due to Helson who has proved that no interpolating set for $A(\mathbf{R})$ can be the support of any measure with Fourier transform tending to zero at infinity. The theory of Helson sets for $p=1$ has been rather completely elaborated up to now (for more details see [4]). It turned out that the arithmetical nature of sets has a great effect on their interpolating properties. Even though not every countable compact set is a Helson set. At the same time examples are known for Helson sets with relatively simple structure in spaces of dimension greater than one. The existence of Helson curves in \mathbf{R}^2 and \mathbf{R}^3 was proved by KAHANE (cf. [4, Chapter VII, 9]). In [6] McGEHEE and WOODWARD constructed not only Helson curves in \mathbf{R}^2 but even Helson k -manifolds in \mathbf{R}^{lk} ($l \geq k+1$). This result was generalized by MÜLLER [7] by having given examples for Helson k -manifolds in any space \mathbf{R}^n ($n \geq k+1$).

The results of the present work relate to the less elucidated case $p > 1$. It is not difficult to prove that every countable compact set is p -Helson for $p > 1$. It is much more complicated to determine which compact sets of measure zero are p -Helson. So, OLEVSKIĬ constructed a compact set of measure zero which is not p -Helson for any $p < 2$ (see [8, Chapter IV]). In [9] OLEVSKIĬ stated a hypothesis on the connection between A_p -interpolating properties of sets and their metric characteristics expressed by the Hausdorff dimension. In this work p -Helson sets will be investigated from this aspect. We shall prove the following statement.

Theorem 1. *Let E be a compact set of Hausdorff dimension $2n/q_0$ in \mathbf{R}^n . Then E is p -Helson for every $p > q_0/(q_0 - 1)$.*

The metric estimate appearing in Theorem 1 is unimprovable, more exactly, the following is true.

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Theorem 2. *For every real number $q_0 \geq 2$ and integer $n \geq 1$ there exists a compact set $E \subset \mathbf{R}^n$ of Hausdorff dimension $2n/q_0$ such that E is not p -Helson for any $p < q_0/(q_0 - 1)$.*

Moreover, the condition of Theorem 1 is not necessary that a set be p -Helson. It was proved by the author in [2] that a polygon with finite break points, whose Hausdorff dimension is 1 in \mathbf{R}^n , is a p -Helson set in \mathbf{R}^2 for any $p > 1$. The same is true in \mathbf{R}^n as well ($n > 2$).

As for the simplicity of the structure of p -Helson sets in \mathbf{R}^n , Theorem 3 will show that for every preassigned $p_0 \in (1, 2)$ and $n > 1$ a continuous curve can be constructed such that it is p -Helson for every $p > p_0$ but is not p -Helson for $p < p_0$.

In the last part of the paper the relation between the classes $A_p(\mathbf{R}^n)$ and $A_p(T^n)$ will be investigated. (Here T means the interval $(-\pi, \pi)$.) For the case $p = 1$ it was shown by WIENER (see [4, p. 20]) that if $\text{supp } f \subset T$ then f belongs to the class $A(\mathbf{R})$ exactly when f belongs to $A(T)$; moreover, the condition concerning the strict inclusion of the support of f in the interval T cannot be weakened. In the case $p > 1$ this inclusion is possibly not strict.

Theorem 4. *Let $p > 1$, $\text{supp } f \subseteq T^n$, and assume that g is an extension of f to \mathbf{R}^n such that g is 2π -periodic with respect to each coordinate. Then $f \in A_p(\mathbf{R}^n)$ if and only if $g \in A_p(T^n)$.*

From Theorem 4 it follows that the statements of the first three theorems are true for $A_p(T^n)$ as well.

Now we proceed with the proofs of our statements. We shall use the following notations: $\hat{f}(y)$ stands for the Fourier transform of the function $f(x)$, that is,

$$\hat{f}(y) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f(x) e^{-ixy} dx.$$

$M(\mathbf{R}^n)$ denotes the Banach space of Borel measures of bounded variation on \mathbf{R}^n with the norm

$$\|\mu\| = \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} |d\mu|.$$

$M(E)$ is the subspace of $M(\mathbf{R}^n)$ consisting of those measures which are concentrated on E , and $\hat{\mu}(y)$ means the Fourier transform of the measure μ :

$$\hat{\mu}(y) = \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} e^{-ixy} d\mu(x).$$

The sequence $\{r_k(t)\}$ ($1 \leq k \leq \infty$) denotes the Rademacher system, that is,

$$r_k(t) = \text{sgn} \sin 2^k \pi t, \quad 0 \leq t \leq 1.$$

For a set G , $\chi_G(x)$ means the characteristic function of G , and $|E|$ denotes the Lebesgue measure of the set $E(\subset \mathbf{R}^n)$.

We say that $f \in A_p(\mathbf{R}^n)$ ($f \in A_p(T^n)$) if the Fourier transform of the function f is integrable on the p -th power.

For given $E \subset \mathbf{R}^n$ and $0 < \alpha \leq n$ we set

$$H_\alpha(E) = \sup_{\varepsilon > 0} \left(\inf \left(\sum_j |\text{diam } V_j|^\alpha \right) \right),$$

where the greatest lower bound is taken with respect to all those systems of neighbourhoods which satisfy the conditions $E \subset \bigcup_j V_j$ and $\text{diam } V_j < \varepsilon$. The number

$$\dim E = \sup(\alpha : H_\alpha(E) > 0)$$

is called the Hausdorff dimension of the set E .

In the sequel we set $q = p/(p-1)$ and C will denote constants, possibly different in different occurrences.

The following theorem was proved by SALEM (see [5, p. 106]).

Theorem. *If $2 < q_0 < \infty$ and $q > q_0$, then there exist a closed set $E \subset T$ satisfying the condition $\dim E = 2/q_0$ and a nonzero positive measure μ concentrated onto E , such that $\hat{\mu} \in L^q(\mathbf{Z})$.*

We shall also need the following result, which was established by the author in [2, Lemma 1].

Proposition 1. *Assume that there exists a measure $\mu \in M(E)$ on the set $E \subset \mathbf{R}^n$ such that $\|\hat{\mu}\|_q < \infty$ ($q > 2$). Then E is not a p -Helson set in \mathbf{R}^n .*

In the case $n=1$ and $q_0 > 2$, Theorem 2 immediately follows from these two statements and from Theorem 4 to be proved later.

In order to solve the analogous problems in \mathbf{R}^n we have to form the direct product of sets:

$$E^{(n)} = E \times \dots \times E \subset \mathbf{R}^n,$$

and the corresponding direct product of measures:

$$\mu^{(n)} = \mu \otimes \dots \otimes \mu \subset M(\mathbf{R}^n).$$

Then

$$\text{supp } \mu^{(n)} \subseteq E^{(n)},$$

$$\|\hat{\mu}^{(n)}\|_{L_q(\mathbf{R}^n)} = \|\hat{\mu}\|_{L_q(\mathbf{R})}^n < \infty, \quad q > q_0,$$

and the set $E^{(n)}$ will not be p -Helson for $p < p_0$. In addition,

$$\dim E^{(n)} = n(\dim E) = 2n/q_0.$$

For $q_0 = 2$ we take the pair: $E = T^n$ and the Lebesgue measure μ on T^n .

To prove Theorem 3 a construction will be described by the aid of which a new proof can be given for Salem's theorem.

Let us introduce the constant

$$\beta_p(E) = \inf \|\lambda_G\|_p,$$

where the lower bound is taken with respect to all open sets G containing E .

It was shown in [2, Lemma 2] that if the constant $\beta_{p'}(E)$ is equal to zero for some $p' < p$, then E is a p -Helson set on the plane. A noncomplicated transfer of the proof of this result to the n -dimensional case gives the following

Proposition 2. *Let E be a compact set in \mathbf{R}^n such that for some reals $p \in (1, \infty)$ and $p' \in (1, p)$*

$$\beta_{p'}(E) = 0$$

holds. Then E is a p -Helson set in \mathbf{R}^n .

By an elementary cube of rank s in \mathbf{R}^n we shall mean an object of the form

$$\prod_{l=1}^n \left[\frac{k^{(l)}}{2^s}, \frac{k^{(l)}+1}{2^s} \right],$$

where every $k^{(l)}$ is an integer ($l=1, \dots, n$).

Lemma 1. *Let $\{\Delta_j\}$ be a collection of elementary n -dimensional cubes with disjoint inner parts and let r_s denote the number of cubes of rank s in $\{\Delta_j\}$. Then, for every $p \in (1, 2)$, we have*

$$\left\| \sum_j \lambda_{\Delta_j} \right\|_p < C \sum_s r_s^{1/2} 2^{-ns/p},$$

where C is a constant depending only on p .

Proof. Let us select the cubes of rank s from $\{\Delta_j\}$, and denote them by δ_j :

$$\delta_j = \prod_{l=1}^n \left[\frac{k_j^{(l)}}{2^s}, \frac{k_j^{(l)}+1}{2^s} \right].$$

Let Q_l ($l = (l_1, \dots, l_n)$) denote the cube in \mathbf{R}^n with edges parallel to the coordinate axes, with sides $2^{s+1}\pi$ and midpoint $x^{(l)}$, where

$$x^{(l)} = 2^s \pi (2|l_j| - 1) \operatorname{sgn} l_j, \quad l_j = \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots$$

Introducing the function

$$\chi_s(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{r_s} \chi_{\delta_j}(x),$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \|\hat{\lambda}_s\|_{L_p(Q_l)} &= \left\| \sum_{j=1}^{r_s} \exp\left(-i \sum_{m=1}^n k_j^{(m)} y_m 2^{-s}\right) \prod_{m=1}^n (\exp(-iy_m 2^{-s}) - 1) / y_m \right\|_{L_p(Q_l)} \leq \\
 &\leq \left\| \prod_{m=1}^n (\exp(-iy_m 2^{-s}) - 1) / y_m \right\|_{C(Q_l)} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^{r_s} \exp\left(-i \sum_{m=1}^n k_j^{(m)} y_m 2^{-s}\right) \right\|_{L_p(Q_l)} \leq \\
 &\leq \frac{C}{2^{ns} \prod_{m=1}^n |l_m|} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^{r_s} \exp\left(-i \sum_{m=1}^n k_j^{(m)} y_m\right) \right\|_{L_p(T^n)} 2^{ns/p}; \\
 (1) \quad \|\hat{\lambda}_s\|_{L_p(Q_l)} &\leq C r_s^{1/2} 2^{-ns/q} \prod_{m=1}^n |l_m|^{-1}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Combining (1) with respect to all Q_l we get

$$\|\hat{\lambda}_s\|_p = \left(\sum_l C r_s^{p/2} 2^{-ns/p/q} \prod_{m=1}^n |l_m|^{-p} \right)^{1/p} = C r_s^{1/2} 2^{-ns/q}.$$

Then

$$\left\| \sum_j \|\hat{\lambda}_{A_j}\|_p \right\| \leq \sum_s \|\hat{\lambda}_s\|_p \leq C \sum_s r_s^{1/2} 2^{-ns/q},$$

and Lemma 1 is proved.

Proof of Theorem 1. Without restricting generality we can assume that E is included in the unit cube of the space \mathbf{R}^n . We first remark that q_0 cannot be less than 2 since the Hausdorff dimension of sets in \mathbf{R}^n does not exceed n . The case $q_0=2$ is also evident since for $p \geq 2$ every compact set in \mathbf{R}^n is p -Helson. Hence, let $q_0 > 2$, and let us given arbitrary $p \in (p_0, 2)$, $\varepsilon > 0$ and $\alpha \in (2n/q_0, 2n/q)$. From the definition of Hausdorff dimension it follows that there exists a covering $\{V_j\}$ of the set E such that

$$d_j = \text{diam } V_j \leq 1 \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots), \quad \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} d_j^{\alpha} < \varepsilon.$$

If $k_j = \lceil \log_2 d_j \rceil$, then V_j belongs to the union of $m_j (\leq 2^n)$ elementary cubes of rank k_j . Let us denote these cubes by A_{jl} ($l=1, \dots, m_j$), and consider the union

$$D = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} \left(\bigcup_{l=1}^{m_j} A_{jl} \right).$$

Let r_s be the number of cubes of rank s in D . We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2) \quad E &\subset \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} V_j \subset D, \\
 \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} r_s 2^{-asn} &< \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} 2^{n+\alpha} d_j^{\alpha} < 2^{n+\alpha} \varepsilon,
 \end{aligned}$$

whence $r_s < C\varepsilon 2^{\alpha s n}$. Then

$$\sum_{s=0}^{\infty} r_s^{1/2} 2^{-ns/q} < C\varepsilon^{1/2} \sum_{s=0}^{\infty} 2^{\sqrt{s} n(\alpha/2 - 1/q)} = C\varepsilon^{1/2},$$

and the estimate of Lemma 1 yields that

$$(3) \quad \|\hat{\chi}_D\|_p < C\varepsilon^{1/2}.$$

Taking into account that ε and p were arbitrary points in the corresponding intervals, (2) and (3) mean that $\beta_p(E) = 0$ for $p > p_0$. Application of Proposition 2 completes the proof of the theorem.

The following two simple lemmas are of technical feature.

We shall need the Hinchin inequality

$$A'_p \left(\sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_j^2 \right)^{1/2} \leq \left\| \sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_j r_j(t) \right\|_{L_p[0,1]} \leq A_p \left(\sum_{j=1}^m \alpha_j^2 \right)^{1/2}, \quad 1 \leq p < \infty.$$

Lemma 2. *There exists a constant $M > 0$ such that for every real $q \in [1, \infty)$, integer $m > M$, and sequence $\{k_j\}$ ($j = 1, \dots, m$) of numbers one can find a collection of signs $\{\varepsilon_j\}$ ($j = 1, \dots, m$; $\varepsilon_j = \pm 1$) such that*

$$(4) \quad \left| \sum_{j=1}^m \varepsilon_j \right| < 2m^{1/2},$$

$$(5) \quad \left\| \sum_{j=1}^m \varepsilon_j \exp(-ik_j x) \right\|_{L_q(T)} < (8\pi)^{1/q} \tau^{-1/q} A_q m^{1/2},$$

where $\tau = \int_{-2}^2 \exp(-y^2/2) dy$.

Proof. It is known (see [3, p. 196]) that

$$2^{-m} \sum_{|m/2 - j| < \sqrt{m}} C_m^j \rightarrow \tau \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty.$$

Let M be such that

$$(6) \quad 2^{-m} \sum_{|m/2 - j| < \sqrt{m}} C_m^j > \tau/2 \quad \text{for } m > M.$$

By the Hinchin inequality

$$\int_0^1 \left| \sum_{j=1}^m r_j(t) \exp(-ik_j x) \right|^q dt < A_q^q m^{q/2} \quad \text{for } x \in T.$$

Integrating this inequality with respect to x from $-\pi$ to π and changing the order of integrations gives

$$(7) \quad \int_0^1 \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| \sum_{j=1}^m r_j(t) \exp(-ik_j x) \right|^q dx dt < A_q^q m^{q/2} 2\pi.$$

Applying the Chebyshev inequality in the outer integral of (7) yields

$$(8) \quad \left| \left\{ t \in [0, 1] : \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left| \sum_{j=1}^m r_j(t) \exp(-ik_j x) \right|^q dx > \frac{8A_q^q m^{q/2} \pi}{\tau} \right\} \right| < \frac{\tau}{4}.$$

Inequality (6) means that for $m > M$ at least the $\tau/2$ -th part of the whole collection of signs $\{\varepsilon_j\}$ ($j = 1, \dots, m$) satisfies condition (4), and it follows from (8) that, in addition, only the $\tau/4$ -th part of $\{\varepsilon_j\}$ can fail to satisfy (5). Consequently, we can find a collection with the required properties. (Such collections make up at least the $\tau/4$ -th part of all collections.)

Lemma 2 is proved.

Lemma 3. *Let the collection m_j ($j = 0, \dots, l$) satisfy the conditions*

$$(9) \quad m_0 > 2^l \cdot 200, \quad m_j/2 - m_j^{1/2} < m_{j+1} < m_j/2 + m_j^{1/2}, \quad j = 0, \dots, l-1.$$

Then

$$(10) \quad m_0 2^{-j} - 6m_0^{1/2} 2^{-j/2} < m_j < m_0 2^{-j} + 6m_0^{1/2} 2^{-j/2}, \quad j = 1, \dots, l.$$

Proof. Assume that (10) is proved for $j = s$ ($s \geq 0$). Then

$$\begin{aligned} m_0 2^{-(s+1)} - 3m_0^{1/2} 2^{-s/2} - (m_0 2^{-s} + 6m_0^{1/2} 2^{-s/2})^{1/2} &< m_{s+1} < \\ &< m_0 2^{-(s+1)} + 3m_0^{1/2} 2^{-s/2} + (m_0 2^{-s} + 6m_0^{1/2} 2^{-s/2})^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

By (9) for $s < l$ we have

$$3m_0^{1/2} 2^{-s/2} + (m_0 2^{-s} + 6m_0^{1/2} 2^{-s/2})^{1/2} < 6m_0^{1/2} 2^{-(s+1)/2}$$

and Lemma 3 is proved.

It will be convenient to assume that $M > 400$, where M is the constant occurring in Lemma 2.

Lemma 4. *Let us given an elementary segment Δ and a real number $q > 2$. Then for any integers N and l satisfying*

$$(11) \quad 2^N |\Delta| > 2^{l+1} M,$$

the segment Δ can be splitted into 2^l parts T_j ($j = 0, \dots, 2^l - 1$), which are the unions of elementary segments of rank N and such that

$$(12)$$

$$\left\| \hat{\lambda}_\Delta - \hat{\lambda}_{T_j} \frac{|\Delta|}{|T_j|} \right\|_q = O(|\Delta|^{1/2} 2^{N(1/q - 1/2) + l/2} + |\Delta|^{-1/2} 2^{(l-N)/2} \|\hat{\lambda}_\Delta\|_q), \quad j = 0, \dots, 2^l - 1.$$

Proof. Without restricting generality we can assume that 0 is the left endpoint of Δ . Let N and l be integers satisfying (11). Applying Lemma 2 to the collection $\Lambda = \{1, 2, \dots, 2^N |\Delta|\}$, let $\{\varepsilon^{(j)}\}$ denote the selected collection of signs. Let us de-

compose Λ into two parts Λ_0 and Λ_1 , where Λ_0 is the set of indices corresponding to plus signs, and Λ_1 is the same to minus signs in $\{\varepsilon^{(j)}\}$. Setting $m_\sigma = |\Lambda_\sigma|$ ($\sigma = 0, 1$), $m = |\Lambda|$, it follows from Lemma 2 that

$$m/2 - m^{1/2} < m_\sigma < m/2 + m^{1/2}, \quad \sigma = 0, 1.$$

Similarly to the first step, by the aid of Lemma 2 we can split every Λ_{σ_1} into two parts $\Lambda_{\sigma_1, \sigma_2}$ ($\sigma_1, \sigma_2 \in \{0, 1\}$), where $\Lambda_{\sigma_1, 0}$ is the set of indices corresponding to plus signs in $\{\varepsilon_{\sigma_1}^{(j)}\}$, and $\Lambda_{\sigma_1, 1}$ is the same to minus signs in $\{\varepsilon_{\sigma_1}^{(j)}\}$; and so on. In addition, we always have

$$1/2m_{\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_s} - m_{\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_s}^{1/2} < m_{\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_{s+1}} < 1/2m_{\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_s} + m_{\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_s}^{1/2} \quad (0 \leq s \leq l-1).$$

Each of the sequences $m, m_{\sigma_1}, \dots, m_{\sigma_1 \dots \sigma_l}$ satisfies the conditions of Lemma 3, and therefore,

$$(13) \quad m2^{-l} - 6m^{1/2}2^{-l/2} < m_{\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_s} < m2^{-l} + 6m^{1/2}2^{-l/2}$$

and

$$M < m_{\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_s} < m2^{-(s-1)}, \quad s = 1, \dots, l.$$

Let us fix an arbitrary collection $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_l$. In order to simplify indices we write only s in place of $\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_s$. Let $\Lambda_s = \{k_s^{(j)}\}$ ($1 \leq j \leq m_s$), let $\chi_s^{(j)}$ denote the characteristic function of the segment $[k_s^{(j)}2^{-N}, (k_s^{(j)}+1)2^{-N}]$, and set

$$g_s(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{m_s} \chi_s^{(j)}(x), \quad g_0(x) = \chi_\Delta(x).$$

We are going to estimate $\|\hat{g}_s - 2\hat{g}_{s+1}\|_q$ ($s = 0, \dots, l-1$):

$$\begin{aligned} \|\hat{g}_s - 2\hat{g}_{s+1}\|_q^q &= \left\| \sum_{j=1}^{m_s} \varepsilon_s^{(j)} \hat{\chi}_s^{(j)} \right\|_q^q = \left\| (\exp(-iy2^{-N}) - 1)/y \sum_{j=1}^{m_s} \varepsilon_s^{(j)} \exp(-ik_s^{(j)}y2^{-N}) \right\|_q^q = \\ &= 2^{N(1-q)} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left| \left(\sum_{j=1}^{m_s} \varepsilon_s^{(j)} \exp(-ik_s^{(j)}t) \right) (e^{-it} - 1)/t \right|^q dt \leq \\ &\leq 2^{N(1-q)} \int_T^{\infty} \left| \sum_{j=1}^{m_s} \varepsilon_s^{(j)} \exp(-ik_s^{(j)}t) \right|^q dt 3 \left(\sum_{r=1}^{\infty} r^{-q} \right) \leq \\ &\leq C 2^{N(1-q)} m_s^{q/2} < C m 2^{N(1-q) - (s-1)q/2}, \end{aligned}$$

that is,

$$(14) \quad \|\hat{g}_s - 2\hat{g}_{s+1}\|_q < C |\Delta|^{1/2} 2^{N(1/q - 1/2) - s/2}.$$

Combining the estimates (14) for all $s = 0, \dots, l-1$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} \|2^l \hat{g}_l - \hat{g}_0\|_q &\leq \sum_{s=0}^{l-1} \|2^{s+1} \hat{g}_{s+1} - 2^s \hat{g}_s\|_q = \sum_{s=0}^{l-1} 2^s \|2\hat{g}_{s+1} - \hat{g}_s\|_q = \\ &= C |\Delta|^{1/2} 2^{N(1/q - 1/2)} \sum_{s=0}^{l-1} 2^{s/2} = C |\Delta|^{1/2} 2^{N(1/q - 1/2) + l/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Let $\gamma = m/m_l$. On account of (13) we can write that

$$-6(m^{1/2} + 6 \cdot 2^{l/2})^{-1} 2^{l/2} < \gamma 2^{-l} - 1 < 6(m^{1/2} - 6 \cdot 2^{l/2})^{-1} 2^{l/2},$$

or

$$(15) \quad |2^{-l} \gamma - 1| < 6(m^{1/2} - 6 \cdot 2^{l/2})^{-1} 2^{l/2} < 12|\Delta|^{-1/2} 2^{(l-N)/2}.$$

Now we estimate $\|\hat{g}_0 - \gamma \hat{g}_l\|_q$:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\hat{g}_0 - \gamma \hat{g}_l\|_q &\leq \|\hat{g}_0 - 2^l \hat{g}_l\|_q + |1 - \gamma 2^{-l}| \|2 \hat{g}_l\|_q \leq \\ &\leq C|\Delta|^{1/2} 2^{N(1/q-1/2)+l/2} + |1 - \gamma 2^{-l}| (\|\hat{g}_0\|_q + C|\Delta|^{1/2} 2^{N(1/q-1/2)+l/2}). \end{aligned}$$

By (15) and (11) we obtain

$$\|\hat{g}_0 - \gamma \hat{g}_l\|_q < C(|\Delta|^{1/2} 2^{N(1/q-1/2)+l/2} + |\Delta|^{-1/2} 2^{(l-N)/2} \|\hat{g}_0\|_q).$$

Setting

$$T_j = \sum_{k \in \Lambda_{\sigma_1, \dots, \sigma_l}} \Delta_k,$$

where

$$\Delta_k = [k2^{-N}, (k+1)2^{-N}], \quad j = \sum_{s=1}^l \sigma_s 2^{s-1}, \quad j = 0, \dots, 2^l - 1,$$

Lemma 4 is proved.

Corollary to Lemma 4. *Let us be given an elementary segment Δ , real numbers $q > 2$, $\varepsilon > 0$, and an integer l . Then for some N the segment Δ can be splitted into disjoint subsets T_j , which are elementary segments of rank N , such that*

$$\|\hat{\lambda}_\Delta - \hat{\lambda}_{T_j}|\Delta|/|T_j|\|_q < \varepsilon, \quad j = 0, \dots, 2^l - 1.$$

Lemma 5. *Let Δ be an elementary segment, and let $q > 2$, $\varepsilon > 0$, and $\alpha > 2/q$ be constants. Then for every sufficiently large number N there exists a collection $\{\tau_j\}$ ($j = 1, \dots, m$) of elementary segments of rank N such that*

$$(17) \quad m2^{-\alpha N} < |\Delta|,$$

$$(18) \quad \|\hat{\lambda}_\Delta - h \sum_{j=1}^m \hat{\lambda}_{\tau_j}\|_q < \varepsilon,$$

where

$$(19) \quad h = |\Delta| 2^N m^{-1}.$$

Proof. Applying Lemma 4 with $|\Delta| 2^{\alpha N} > 8M$ and $l = [N(1-\alpha)] + 1$, we can take the collection $\{\tau_j\}$ of segments of rank N , constituting any set T_s occurring in Lemma 4.

Lemma 6. *For every $k = 0, 1, \dots$, let $E_k \subset \mathbf{R}^n$ be a compact set and let $\mu_k \in M(\mathbf{R}^n)$ be a measure satisfying for some $q > 2$ the following conditions:*

$$(I) \quad E_{k+1} \subset E_k, \quad (II) \quad \mu_k \in M(E_k), \quad (III) \quad E_k = \bigcup_{j=1}^{m_k} e_j^{(k)},$$

the sets $e_j^{(k)}$ are compact and $|e_j^{(k)} \cap e_l^{(k)}| = 0$ if $j \neq l$,

$$(IV) \quad \mu_0(E_0) = 1; \quad \mu_{k+1}(e_j^{(k)}) = \mu_k(e_j^{(k)}) > 0, \quad j = 1, \dots, m_k,$$

$$(V) \quad \text{diam } e_j^{(k)} < 2^{-k}, \quad j = 1, \dots, m_k,$$

$$(VI) \quad \|\hat{\mu}_k\|_q < C.$$

Then the sequence $\{\mu_k\}$ weakly converges to a measure μ satisfying

$$(20) \quad \mu \in M(E), \quad E = \bigcap_{k=0}^{\infty} E_k,$$

$$(21) \quad \|\hat{\mu}\|_q < C.$$

Proof. First we prove that $\{\mu_k\}$ is weakly convergent. Let $f(x)$ be a continuous function on \mathbf{R}^n , and $\omega(f, \delta)$ denote the modulus of continuity of the restriction of f onto E_0 . Let $x_j^{(k)}$ be any representative of $e_j^{(k)}$ ($x_j^{(k)} \in e_j^{(k)}$). By (IV) and (V) it follows that if $l > k$ then

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f d\mu_k - \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f d\mu_l \right| &= \left| \sum_{j=1}^{m_k} \left(\int_{e_j^{(k)}} f d\mu_k - \int_{e_j^{(k)}} f d\mu_l \right) \right| \leq \\ &\leq \sum_{j=1}^{m_k} \left| \int_{e_j^{(k)}} (f(x) - f(x_j^{(k)})) d\mu_k - \int_{e_j^{(k)}} (f(x) - f(x_j^{(k)})) d\mu_l \right| \leq \\ &\leq \sum_{j=1}^{m_k} 2\omega(f, 2^{-k}) \mu_k(e_j^{(k)}) = 2\omega(f, 2^{-k}). \end{aligned}$$

Since E_0 is bounded and closed, hence

$$\lim_{k, l \rightarrow \infty} \left| \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f d\mu_k - \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f d\mu_l \right| = 0.$$

Let us take now a continuous function f such that

$$\varrho(\text{supp } f, E) = \delta > 0.$$

By (IV) we infer that E_k is contained in the 2^{-k} -neighbourhood of the set E , and therefore, $\text{supp } f \cap E_k = \emptyset$ holds for $k > |\log_2 \delta|$. Consequently,

$$\int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f d\mu = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\mathbf{R}^n} f d\mu_k = 0, \quad (\text{supp } f) \cap E = \emptyset,$$

which gives (20).

Let us examine the sequence of Fourier transforms of the measures μ_k at the point $y \in \mathbf{R}^n$:

$$(22) \quad |\hat{\mu}_k(y) - \hat{\mu}(y)| < 2\omega(e^{-ixy}, 2^{-k}) < |y| 2^{1-k}.$$

By (22) it can be seen that $\hat{\mu}_k(y)$ tends to $\hat{\mu}(y)$ everywhere on \mathbf{R}^n . Applying Fatou's theorem to $|\hat{\mu}_k(y)|^q$ we obtain (21). The proof of Lemma 6 is completed.

Let $\Delta = [\alpha, \beta]$. For any $(0 < \theta < 1)$, $\theta\Delta$ denotes the segment

$$\theta\Delta = [\alpha, \alpha + \theta(\beta - \alpha)],$$

which is the compression of Δ by θ with respect to the left endpoint. Simple calculation results in the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \|\hat{\chi}_{\Delta} - \hat{\chi}_{\theta\Delta}/\theta\|_q &= \|(\exp(-i|\Delta|y) - 1)/iy - (\exp(-i\theta|\Delta|y) - 1)/\theta iy\|_q = \\ &= \|((1-\theta)(1-\exp(-i|\Delta|y)) - \exp(-i\theta|\Delta|y)(1-\exp(-i(1-\theta)|\Delta|y)))/\theta y\|_q < \\ &< C(p)|\Delta|^{1/p}(1-\theta+(1-\theta)^{1/p})/\theta. \end{aligned}$$

We shall use this estimate for $\theta \in (1/2, 1)$ in the form

$$(25) \quad \left\| \hat{\chi}_{\Delta} - \frac{1}{\theta} \hat{\chi}_{\theta\Delta} \right\|_q < B_p |\Delta|^{1/p} (1-\theta)^{1/p}.$$

In what follows $\mathbf{x} = (x_1, \dots, x_n)$ denotes a point of \mathbb{R}^n .

Theorem 3. *For every real $q_0 \geq 2$ and integer $n \geq 1$ there exists a continuous mapping from $[0, 1]$ into \mathbb{R}^n whose graph is a p -Helson set in \mathbb{R}^n for every $p > p_0$, but which is not p -Helson for $p < p_0$.*

Proof. We construct sequences of sets E_k and measures μ_k satisfying the conditions of Lemma 6 for any $q > q_0$ and such that

- (a) E_k is composed of elementary cubes $e_j^{(k)}$ with sides δ_k and with point $x_j^{(k)}$ closest to the zero ($j = 1, \dots, m_k$);
- (b) the measure μ_k is given by the density function

$$p_k(\mathbf{x}) = \sum_{j=1}^{m_k} h_j^{(k)} \chi_{e_j^{(k)}}(\mathbf{x});$$

$$(c) \quad m_{2l+1} \delta_{2l+1}^{n\alpha} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as} \quad l \rightarrow \infty, \quad \alpha = 2/q_0.$$

Let $P_r(G)$ denote the projection of the set G onto the axis $0x_1$. The sets E have to fulfil the relations

$$(d) \quad \rho(P_r(E_{2l} \cap e_r^{(2l-1)}), P_r(E_{2l} \cap e_s^{(2l-1)})) \geq \delta_{2l},$$

$$r, s = 1, \dots, m_{2l-1}; \quad l = 1, 2, \dots; \quad r \neq s.$$

Set

$$\delta_0 = 1, \quad \mathbf{x}_1^{(0)} = (0, \dots, 0), \quad m_0 = 1, \quad h_1^{(0)} = 1.$$

Assume that E_j and μ_j have been already constructed for every $0 \leq j \leq k$, where k is even. We take $q_k = q_0 + 2^{-k}$ and $\Delta = [0, \delta_k]$. Let $\|\hat{\chi}_{\Delta}\|_{q_k}$ be denoted by ξ and choose a real $\varepsilon > 0$ such that

$$\left(\sum_{j=1}^{m_k} h_j^{(k)} \right) ((\xi + \varepsilon)^n - \xi^n) < 2^{-k}.$$

Applying Lemma 5 we fix a collection of elementary segments τ_j of rank N ($j=1, \dots, s$) satisfying the conditions

$$(27) \quad \delta_{k+1}^n s < \delta_k, \quad \delta_{k+1} = 2^{-N};$$

$$(28) \quad \|\hat{\chi}_A(y) - \hat{\varrho}(y)\|_{q_k} < \varepsilon,$$

where

$$\varrho(x) = |\Delta|(s\delta_{k+1})^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^s \chi_{\tau_j}(x).$$

Introduce the following objects

$$\Psi(x) = \prod_{v=1}^n \varrho(x_v),$$

$$p_{k+1}(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{m_{k+1}} h_j^{(k+1)} \chi_{e_j^{(k+1)}}(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{m_{k+1}} h_j^{(k)} \Psi(x - x_j^{(k)}),$$

where $e_j^{(k+1)}$ are cubes of rank N and $E_{k+1} = \text{supp } p_{k+1}(x)$.

It is clear from the construction that conditions (I)–(IV) hold, and (V) is also true because of $s > 2$. In addition,

$$(29) \quad m_{k+1} \delta_{k+1}^n = m_k s^n \delta_k^n < m_k \delta_k^n,$$

$$\|\hat{p}_{k+1} - \hat{p}_k\|_{q_k} = \left\| \sum_{j=1}^{m_k} h_j^{(k)} \exp(-ix_j^{(k)}y) \prod_{v=1}^n \hat{\varrho}(y_v) - \sum_{j=1}^{m_k} h_j^{(k)} \exp(-ix_j^{(k)}y) \prod_{v=1}^n \hat{\chi}_A(y_v) \right\|_q \leq$$

$$\leq \left(\sum_{j=1}^{m_k} h_j^{(k)} \right) \left\| \prod_{v=1}^n \hat{\varrho}(y_v) - \prod_{v=1}^n \hat{\chi}_A(y_v) \right\|_{q_k} \leq \left(\sum_{j=1}^{m_k} h_j^{(k)} \right) ((\xi + \varepsilon)^n - \xi^n) < 2^{-k}.$$

Now we describe the construction of E_{k+2} and μ_{k+2} . Let $\Delta = [0, \delta_{k+1}]$, $q_{k+2} = q_0 + 2^{-(k+1)}$, $l = [\log_2 m_{k+1}] + 1$, $\xi = \|\hat{\chi}_A\|_{q_{k+1}}$, and let a real $\varepsilon > 0$ satisfy the condition

$$(30) \quad \left(\sum_{j=1}^{m_{k+1}} h_j^{(k+1)} \right) ((\xi + 2\varepsilon)^n - \varepsilon^n) < 2^{-(k+2)}.$$

By Corollary to Lemma 4 the segment Δ can be splitted into 2^l disjoint subsets T_j ($j=1, \dots, 2^l$) such that

$$T_j = \bigcup_{v=1}^{s_j} \tau_v^{(j)},$$

where $\tau_v^{(j)}$ is an elementary segment of rank N and

$$\|\hat{\chi}_A - \alpha_j \hat{\chi}_{T_j}\|_{q_{k+1}} < \varepsilon,$$

where $\alpha_j = |\Delta| 2^N / s_j$ is a normalizing coefficient.

Let $\Theta = 1 - 2^{-r}$, where r is an integer satisfying

$$B_p 2^{-(r+N)/p_{k+1}} < \varepsilon \left(\max_{1 \leq j \leq 2^l} \alpha_j s_j \right)^{-1}.$$

Then by (25) we get that

$$\left\| \hat{\lambda}_\tau - \frac{1}{\theta} \hat{\lambda}_{\theta\tau} \right\|_{q_{k+1}} < \varepsilon \left(\max_{1 \leq j \leq 2^l} \alpha_j s_j \right)^{-1}$$

holds for every elementary segment τ of rank N . Let θT_j stand for the set

$$\theta T_j \equiv \bigcup_{v=1}^{s_j} \theta \tau_v^{(j)}.$$

Let us introduce the functions

$$\psi_j(x) = \frac{\alpha_j}{\theta} \chi_{\theta T_j}(x), \quad \Psi_j(x) = \prod_{v=1}^n \psi_j(x_v),$$

and set

$$p_{k+2}(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{m_{k+2}} h_j^{(k+2)} \chi_{e_j^{(k+2)}}(x) = \sum_{j=1}^{m_{k+1}} h_j^{(k+1)} \Psi_j(x - x_j^{(k+1)}),$$

$e^{(k+2)}$ being a cube of rank Nr , $E_{k+2} = \text{supp } p_{k+2}(x)$, $\delta_{k+2} = 2^{-Nr}$, and $x_j^{(k+2)}$ is the point closest to zero in $e^{(k+2)}$. Condition (d) is implied by the fact that the distance between the supports of any two different functions $\psi_j(x)$ is not less than 2^{-Nr} . It can be also seen from the construction that

$$(32) \quad m_{k+2} \delta_{k+2}^n < m_{k+1} \delta_{k+1}^n,$$

that is by (29),

$$m_{k+1} \delta_{k+1}^n < m_{k-1} \delta_{k-1}^n$$

(k is positive and even), whence (c) follows. Further, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\hat{\psi}_j - \hat{\lambda}_\tau\|_{q_{k+1}} &\equiv \|\alpha_j \hat{\lambda}_{T_j} - \hat{\lambda}_\tau\|_{q_{k+1}} + \left\| \alpha_j \hat{\lambda}_{T_j} - \frac{\alpha_j}{\theta} \hat{\lambda}_{\theta\tau} \right\|_{q_{k+1}} \equiv \\ &\equiv \varepsilon + \left(\max_{1 \leq j \leq 2^l} \alpha_j s_j \right) \left\| \hat{\lambda}_\tau - \frac{1}{\theta} \hat{\lambda}_{\theta\tau} \right\|_{q_{k+1}} < 2\varepsilon, \end{aligned}$$

where τ is an elementary segment of rank N . By the last inequality and (30) we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \|\hat{p}_{k+2} - \hat{p}_{k+1}\|_{q_{k+1}} &= \left\| \sum_{j=1}^{m_{k+1}} h_j^{(k+1)} \exp(-ix_j^{(k+1)} y) \left(\prod_{v=1}^n \hat{\psi}_j(y_v) - \prod_{v=1}^n \hat{\lambda}_\tau(y_v) \right) \right\|_{q_{k+1}} \equiv \\ &\equiv \left(\sum_{j=1}^{m_{k+1}} h_j^{(k+1)} \right) \left\| \prod_{v=1}^n \hat{\psi}_j(y_v) - \prod_{v=1}^n \hat{\lambda}_\tau(y_v) \right\|_{q_{k+1}} < \left(\sum_{j=1}^{m_{k+1}} h_j^{(k+1)} \right) ((\xi + 2\varepsilon)^n - \xi^n) < 2^{-(k+2)}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, conditions (I)–(V) of Lemma 6 have been verified.

Now we estimate the norm $\|\hat{\mu}_k\|_q$ for $q > q_0$. Take a number k_0 such that $q_{k_0} < q$, and let $k > k_0$. Since $\|\hat{\mu}_k\| = 1$, we infer that $\|\hat{\mu}_k - \hat{\mu}_{k+1}\|_C \leq 2$. Then

$$\|\hat{\mu}_k - \hat{\mu}_{k+1}\|_q \leq \|\hat{\mu}_k - \hat{\mu}_{k+1}\|_{q_k}^{q_k/q} 2^{1-q_k/q} < 2^{1-kq_0/q},$$

$$\|\hat{\mu}_k\|_q < \|\hat{\mu}_{k_0}\|_q + \sum_{s=k_0}^{k-1} \|\hat{\mu}_s - \hat{\mu}_{s+1}\|_q < \|\hat{\mu}_{k_0}\|_q + \sum_{s=k_0}^{\infty} 2^{1-sq_0/q} = C(q).$$

Moreover, $\hat{\mu}_{k_0} \in L_q(\mathbf{R}^n)$ for any $q > 1$. So, condition (VI) is also proved.

Thus, the sequence of measures μ_k weakly converges to a measure μ such that

$$\text{supp } \mu \subseteq E = \bigcap_k E_k, \quad \|\hat{\mu}\|_q < C(q)$$

for any $q > q_0$. This means that the set E together with any set containing E is not p -Helson for $p < p_0$. At the same time, it follows from (c) that for $q < q_0$ and odd k we have

$$m_k^{1/2} d_k^{n/q} = (m_k d_k^{nq})^{1/2} d_k^{(1/q-1/q_0)n} \rightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } k \rightarrow \infty.$$

Consequently, by Lemma 1 we infer that for every $p > p_0$

$$\liminf_{k \rightarrow \infty} \|\hat{\chi}_{E_k}\|_p = 0;$$

hence

$$(34) \quad \beta_p(E) = 0.$$

We remark that (c) and (V) also imply that $\dim E \leq 2n/q_0$; whence, by Theorem 1, it follows that $\dim E = 2n/q_0$.

Let us consider the set $F = Pr(E)$. By (d) we infer that for any two points $x', x'' \in F$, the inequality $\varrho(x', x'') < d_{2l}$ implies that the inverse images belong to the same cube $e_j^{(2l-1)}$. Since $d_{2l} \rightarrow 0$ and the set E is closed, the mapping $x \rightarrow Pr(x)$ is one-to-one and continuous between F and E . Let the inverse mapping $Pr^{-1}: F \rightarrow E$ be denoted by f . The function f defined on the closed set $F \subset [0, 1]$ is continuous. We extend $f(x)$ in a standard way to a continuous function given on the whole interval $[0, 1]$ by linear interpolation on the intervals adjacent to F . The graph of the function

$$f: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}^{n-1}$$

can be obtained from F by supplementing countably many disjoint intervals. It was shown in [2] that $\beta_p(\tau) = 0$ ($p > 1$) for any finite interval $\tau \in \mathbf{R}^2$. The same is true for any one-dimensional interval τ in \mathbf{R}^n for $n > 2$, as well. To see this it is enough to take δ -neighbourhoods V_δ of the interval τ in \mathbf{R}^n . Then

$$(35) \quad \|\hat{\chi}_{V_\delta}\|_p = O(\delta^{(n-1)/q}),$$

and by (34), (35) it follows that $\beta_p(\Gamma_f) = 0$ ($p > p_0$).

We note that for $q_0 < 2n$ the Hausdorff dimension of the curve we have constructed will be the same as the one of the set E , that is $2n/q_0$. The proof of Theorem 3 is complete.

Finally, we turn to the proof of Theorem 4. It is well-known (see, for example, [1]) that the Hilbert transform

$$\mathcal{H}f(x) = \int_{\mathbf{R}} \frac{f(y)}{x-y} dy$$

(the integral is understood in Cauchy's sense of principal value) is a bounded operator from $L_p(\mathbf{R})$ into itself ($1 < p < \infty$). Let \mathcal{U}_v denote the operator of multiplication by the function $\exp(-ivx)$ ($v, x \in \mathbf{R}$):

$$\mathcal{U}_v f(x) = \exp(-ivx)f(x).$$

We shall need the operator \mathcal{L} of convolution with the function

$$\psi(y) = \hat{\chi}_T(y) = 2 \sin \pi y/y.$$

The operator \mathcal{L} can be expressed in terms of the operators \mathcal{H} and \mathcal{U}_v in the following way:

$$\mathcal{L} = i(\mathcal{U}_\pi \mathcal{H} \mathcal{U}_{-\pi} - \mathcal{U}_{-\pi} \mathcal{H} \mathcal{U}_\pi);$$

whence it can be seen that \mathcal{L} is also a bounded operator acting from $L_p(\mathbf{R})$ into $L_p(\mathbf{R})$. We show that the operators \mathcal{U}_v act from $A_p(T^n)$ into $A_p(T^n)$.

Lemma 7. *For any $p \in (1, \infty)$ there exists a constant α_p such that for every $n \geq 1$*

$$(36) \quad \sup_{v \in \mathbf{R}^n} \|\mathcal{U}_v f\|_{A_p(T^n)} < \alpha_p^n \|f\|_{A_p(T^n)}.$$

Proof. First let $n=1$. We have that

$$(\widehat{\mathcal{U}_v f}(k)) = (\widehat{f}(k)) * (\psi(v+k)).$$

Let us decompose the function ψ into the sum $\psi(y) = \psi_1(y) + \psi_2(y)$, where

$$\psi_1(y) = \begin{cases} 0, & y \in [-1, 1], \\ 2 \sin \pi y/|y|, & y \notin [-1, 1]. \end{cases}$$

Then

$$(37) \quad (\widehat{\mathcal{U}_v f}(k)) = (\widehat{f}(k)) * (\psi_1(v+k)) + (\widehat{f}(k)) * (\psi_2(v+k)).$$

Fix v and set

$$(a_k^{(j)}) = (\widehat{f}(k)) * (\psi_j(v+k)), \quad j = 1, 2.$$

Consider $(a_k^{(2)})$. The absolute value of $\psi_2(y)$ can be estimated as

$$|\psi_2(y)| < 4/(y^2 + 1).$$

Therefore,

$$(38) \quad \left(\sum_k |a_k^{(2)}|^p \right)^{1/p} \leq \left(\sum_k |\hat{f}(k)|^p \right)^{1/p} \left(\sum_k \frac{4}{(v+k)^2 + 1} \right) < 20\pi \|f\|_{A_p(T)}.$$

Now we estimate $\|(a_k^{(1)})\|_p^k$. Observe that the l_p -norm of the sequence $(a_k^{(1)})$ does not depend on the integral part of v . It will be convenient to assume that $[v]=0$. We can write

$$(39) \quad a_k^{(1)} = \sum_{m \neq k, k+1} 2\hat{f}(m) \frac{\sin \pi(v+k-m)}{k-m} = (-1)^k 2 \sin \pi v \sum_{m \neq k, k+1} (-1)^m \frac{\hat{f}(m)}{k-m}.$$

Let A_k denote the value

$$A_k = 2 \sum_{m \neq k, k+1} \frac{(-1)^m \hat{f}(m)}{k-m}.$$

By (39) it follows that

$$(40) \quad \left(\sum_k |a_k^{(1)}|^p \right)^{1/p} = |\sin \pi v| \left(\sum_k |A_k|^p \right)^{1/p}.$$

Consider the function $\varrho(y) \in L_p(\mathbb{R})$:

$$\varrho(y) = \sum_k \hat{f}(k) \chi_{[-1/8, 1/8]}(y-k).$$

Since the operators of convolution by ψ and the summable functions ψ_2 act from $L_p(\mathbb{R})$ into $L_p(\mathbb{R})$, by (37) we infer that

$$\|\psi_1 * \varrho\|_p < C \|\varrho\|_p$$

holds for some constant C depending only on p . On the other hand, for $y \in [k+3/8, k+5/8]$ ($k \in \mathbb{Z}$)

$$\begin{aligned} (\psi_1 * \varrho)(y) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \psi_1(y-x) \varrho(x) dx = \sum_m \hat{f}(m) \int_{m-1/8}^{m+1/8} \psi_1(y-x) dx = \\ &= \sum_{m \neq k, k+1} \hat{f}(m) \int_{m-1/8}^{m+1/8} \frac{2 \sin \pi(y-x)}{k-m} dx = A_k \int_{-1/8}^{1/8} \sin \pi(y-x) dx, \end{aligned}$$

moreover,

$$\left| \int_{-1/8}^{1/8} \sin \pi(y-x) dx \right| > 1/\pi \sqrt{2}.$$

Defining E by

$$E = \bigcup_k [k+3/8, k+5/8],$$

we have

$$C^p \|\varrho\|_p^p > \|\psi_1 * \varrho\|_p^p > \int_E |(\psi_1 * \varrho)(y)|^p dy \cong \left(\sum_k |A_k|^p \right) \pi^{-p} 2^{-(p/2+2)}.$$

Hence we have proved that

$$(41) \quad \left(\sum_k |A_k|^p \right)^{1/p} < C\pi 2^{1/2+2/p} \|f\|_{A_p(T)}.$$

Combining (37), (38), (40) and (41) we get

$$(42) \quad \|\mathcal{U}_v f\|_{A_p(T)} \leq \alpha_p \|f\|_{A_p(T)}.$$

Now we turn to the multidimensional case. Let us introduce the following collection of auxiliary operators $U_v^{(j)}$ ($j=1, \dots, n$):

$$\mathcal{U}_v^{(j)} f(\mathbf{x}) = \exp(-iv_j x_j) f(\mathbf{x}).$$

Then

$$(43) \quad \mathcal{U}_v f = \mathcal{U}_v^{(1)} \mathcal{U}_v^{(2)} \dots \mathcal{U}_v^{(n)} f.$$

Let us fix an arbitrary number j ($1 \leq j \leq n$). Let J_k ($\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^n$) denote the set

$$J_k = \{ \mathbf{m} \in \mathbb{Z}^n : m_s = k_s, s \neq j \}.$$

We have

$$\widehat{\mathcal{U}_v^{(j)} f}(\mathbf{k}) = \sum_{\mathbf{m} \in J_k} \widehat{f}(\mathbf{m}) \psi(k_j + v_j - m_j),$$

and by (42) it follows that

$$(44) \quad \|\mathcal{U}_v^{(j)} f\|_{A_p(T^n)} \leq \alpha_p \|f\|_{A_p(T^n)}.$$

Combining (43) and (44) gives the required inequality.

Lemma 7 is proved.

Corollary to Lemma 7. *Let $f \in A_p(T^n)$. Then*

$$\|f \chi_{T^n}\|_{A_p(\mathbb{R}^n)} \leq \alpha_p^n \|f\|_{A_p(T^n)}.$$

Proof. We shall use the notation

$$I = [0, 1], \quad g(x) = f(x) \chi_{T^n}(x).$$

Fix $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and consider the decomposition $y = \mathbf{k} + \mathbf{v}$, where $\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^n$ and $[v_j] = 0$ ($j=1, \dots, n$). We have

$$\widehat{g}(y) = \int_{T^n} f(x) e^{-i\mathbf{k}x} e^{-ivx} dx = \widehat{\mathcal{U}_v f}(\mathbf{k}).$$

Then

$$\|\widehat{g}(y)\|_p^p = \sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \int_{T^n} |\widehat{\mathcal{U}_v f}(\mathbf{k})|^p dv = \int_{T^n} \left(\sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^n} |\widehat{\mathcal{U}_v f}(\mathbf{k})|^p \right) dv \leq \alpha_p^{np} \|f\|_{A_p(T^n)}^p.$$

The following argument approximately repeats the course of the proof of Wiener's theorem in [4, p. 20].

Proof of Theorem 4. Let us take an arbitrary function $f \in A_p(T^n)$. On account of Lemma 7 we get

$$f\chi_{T^n} \in A_p(\mathbb{R}^n).$$

Assume now that $\text{supp } f \subseteq T^n$, $f \in A_p(\mathbb{R}^n)$, and verify that the extension of f , 2π -periodic in each coordinate, belongs to $A_p(T^n)$. In fact,

$$\sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^n} \int_{T^n} |\hat{f}(\mathbf{y} + \mathbf{k})|^p d\mathbf{y} = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} |\hat{f}(\mathbf{y})|^p d\mathbf{y} < \infty;$$

application of Beppo Levi's theorem implies the existence of a point \mathbf{y}_0 such that

$$\sum_{\mathbf{k} \in \mathbb{Z}^n} |\hat{f}(\mathbf{y}_0 + \mathbf{k})|^p < \infty.$$

As we have

$$\hat{f}(\mathbf{y}_0 + \mathbf{k}) = \int_{T^n} f(\mathbf{x}) e^{-i\mathbf{y}_0 \mathbf{x}} e^{-i\mathbf{k} \mathbf{x}} d\mathbf{x},$$

the 2π -periodic extension of the function $g(\mathbf{x}) = f(\mathbf{x}) \exp(-i\mathbf{y}_0 \mathbf{x})$ belongs to $A_p(T^n)$. Since

$$f = \mathcal{U}_{-\mathbf{y}_0} g,$$

we obtain by Lemma 7 that

$$\|f\|_{A_p(T^n)} < \alpha_p^n \|g\|_{A_p(T^n)} < \infty.$$

Theorem 4 is proved.

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О p -хелсоновских множествах в \mathbf{R}^n

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В статье изучаются метрические характеристики p -хелсоновских множеств. Замкнутое множество E из \mathbf{R}^n называется p -хелсоновским, если любая функция $f \in C(E)$ может быть непрерывно продолжена до функции класса $A_p(\mathbf{R}^n)$.

Показано, что если хаусдорфова размерность компакта $E \subset \mathbf{R}^n$ есть $2nq_0$, то E — p -хелсоновское множество для всякого $p > q_0(q_0 - 1)$. Этот результат не может быть улучшен: для любых $q_0 > 2$ и $n \geq 1$ существует компакт $E \subset \mathbf{R}^n$ хаусдорфовой размерности $2nq_0$, не являющийся p -хелсоновским множеством при $p < p_0$.

Доказано также, что если $\text{supp } f \subseteq [-\pi, \pi]^n$, то функция f принадлежит классу $A_p(\mathbf{R}^n)$ тогда и только тогда, когда она принадлежит классу $A_p([-\pi, \pi]^n)$ ($1 < p < \infty$).

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A test of convergence of Fourier series with respect to multiplicative systems, analogous to the Jordan test

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Introduction

I. A group of sequences G and the variation of functions on it. Let $p_0=1$, $\{p_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ be a sequence of integers such that $p_n \geq 2$, $m_n = \prod_{k=1}^n p_k$ ($n=0, 1, 2, \dots$),

$$G = \{\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} : x_n = 0, 1, \dots, p_n - 1\}$$

a group with the operation $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} + \{y_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} = \{(x_n + y_n) \bmod p_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ and \sim its inverse operation. The map $G \rightarrow [0, 1]$ defined by

$$(1) \quad G \ni x = \{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \rightarrow |x| = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (x_n/m_n) \in [0, 1]$$

is bijective everywhere except the points

$$(2) \quad |x| = \frac{l}{m_n} \in]0, 1[; \quad l = 1, 2, \dots, m_n - 1; \quad n = 1, 2, \dots.$$

Points of the form (2) have two preimages in G , one of which is finite, i.e., all but finitely many elements of the sequence are 0. The finite preimage of $\frac{l}{m_n}$ in G will be denoted by $\frac{l}{m_n}+$, and the infinite one by $\frac{l}{m_n}-$.

We also introduce the notations:

$$G_n = \left[0, \frac{1}{m_n}-\right] = \left\{x \in G : 0 \leq x \leq \frac{1}{m_n}-\right\} = \\ = \{x = x_k\}_{k=1}^n : x_k = 0 \quad \text{for } k = 1, 2, \dots, n\}, \quad G_{l,n} = \frac{l}{m_n}+G_n = \left[\frac{l}{m_n}, \frac{l+1}{m_n}-\right];$$

here $C(G)$ is the set of continuous (with respect to the topology of the group G (see e.g. [1, p. 18])) functions, where by functions we shall mean maps of G into the set C of complex numbers.

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It is clear that

$$(3) \quad x \div G_n = x + G_n = \tilde{x}_n + G_n = \left[\tilde{x}_n, \left(\tilde{x}_n + \frac{1}{m_n} \right) \right],$$

where $\tilde{x}_n \in G$ is a $\{p_n\}$ -rational point (i.e., all but finitely many x_k are 0) such that

$$(4) \quad |\tilde{x}_n| = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{x_k}{m_k}$$

($|\tilde{x}_n|$ is defined by formula (1)).

II. Multiplicative system of Price. Consider the following system of functions

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_0(x) &\equiv 1; \\ \psi_m(x) &= \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i l}{p_{k+1}}\right) \quad \text{if } x \in G_{l, k+1}; \quad l = 0, 1, \dots, m_{k+1}-1; \quad k = 0, 1, \dots; \\ \psi_n(x) &= \prod_{k=0}^s (\psi_{m_k}(x))^{a_k} \quad \text{if } n = \sum_{k=0}^s a_k m_k; \end{aligned}$$

where a_k and s are integers, $0 \leq a_k < p_{k+1}$, and $a_s \neq 0$.

This is a complete orthonormal system and the partial sums of the corresponding Fourier series (see [8, 3. II.]) are

$$S_n(x, f) = \int_G f(x \div t) D_n(t) dt = \int_G f(t) D_n(x \div t) dt = \int_G f(t) \overline{D_n(t \div x)} dt,$$

where $D_n(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \psi_k(t)$ is the Dirichlet kernel.

The following equalities are well-known (see [4, Lemma 3] and [8, 2.2]):

$$(5) \quad D_n(x) = \frac{1 - (\psi_{m_s}(x))^{a_s}}{1 - \psi_{m_s}(x)} D_{m_s}(x) + (\psi_{m_s}(x))^{a_s} D_{n-s}(x) \quad \text{for any } x \in G,$$

where $n = a_s m_s + n'$; a_s and n' are integers, $1 \leq a_s < p_{s+1}$ and $0 \leq n' < m_s$;

$$(6) \quad D_{m_k}(x) = m_k \quad \text{if } x \in G_k, \quad \text{and} \quad D_{m_k}(x) = 0 \quad \text{for } x \in G - G_k.$$

The following two statements are known (see e.g. [7. Lemma 1, 2]).

Lemma 1. If $n = \sum_{j=k}^s a_j m_j + n^{(k)}$, where a_j , $n^{(k)}$, and s are integers such that $0 \leq a_j < p_{j+1}$, $a_s \neq 0$ and $0 \leq n^{(k)} < m_k$, then for every $x \in G - G_k$ we have

$$D_n(x) = D_{n^{(k)}}(x) \psi_{n-n^{(k)}}(x).$$

Lemma 2. If $n \geq m_k$ and $l = 1, 2, \dots, m_k - 1$, then

$$\int_{G_{l, k}} D_n(x) dx = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{G - G_k} D_n(x) dx = \sum_{l=1}^{m_k-1} \int_{G_{l, k}} D_n(x) dx = 0.$$

Lemma 3. For any integers k and n the following inequality holds:

$$0 \leq \int_{G_k - G_{k+1}} D_n(t) dt \leq 1.$$

In particular, the value of this integral is real.

Proof. If $n \geq m_{k+1}$, then from Lemma 2 we have

$$\int_{G_k - G_{k+1}} D_n(t) dt = \sum_{l=1}^{p_{k+1}-1} \int_{G_{l, k+1}} D_n(t) dt = 0.$$

If $n < m_{k+1}$, then $D_n(t) = n$ for $t \in G_{k+1}$, since $\psi_j(t) = 1$ when $j < n < m_{k+1}$, and $t \in G_{k+1}$ and $D_n(t) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} \psi_j(t)$. So, $\int_{G_{k+1}} D_n(t) dt = \frac{n}{m_{k+1}}$ (similarly

$$\int_{G_{l+1}} D_n(t) dt = \frac{n}{m_{l+1}} \quad \text{for } n < m_{l+1} \quad (l = 1, 2, \dots, k)$$

and then using the equality $\int_G D_n(t) dt = 1$ for any integer n (by Lemma 2,

$$\int_{G_k} D_n(t) dt = \int_G D_n(t) dt - \int_{G - G_k} D_n(t) dt = 1 \quad \text{holds if } n \geq m_k,$$

we have

$$\int_{G_k - G_{k+1}} D_n(t) dt = \int_{G_k} D_n(t) dt - \int_{G_{k+1}} D_n(t) dt = \begin{cases} \frac{n}{m_k} - \frac{n}{m_{k+1}} & \text{if } n < m_k, \\ 1 - \frac{n}{m_{k+1}} & \text{if } m_k \leq n < m_{k+1}. \end{cases}$$

The case $n < m_k$ can be treated analogously. Lemma 3 is proved.

III. The function $q(t)$ and an estimate of the Dirichlet kernel. Put

$$G_{n, \dot{+}} = \bigcup_{l=1}^{b_n} G_{l, n+1}, \quad G_{n, \dot{-}} = \dot{-} G_{n, \dot{+}} = \bigcup_{l=a_n}^{p_{n+1}-1} G_{l, n+1},$$

where

$$(7) \quad b_n = \left[\frac{p_{n+1}}{2} \right], \quad a_n = \left[\frac{p_{n+1}+1}{2} \right],$$

and $[y]$ means the integral part of $y \in \mathbb{R}$.

It is clear that, for $(n=1, 2, \dots)$, $G_{n, \dot{+}} \cup G_{n, \dot{-}} = G_n - G_{n+1}$ and

$$G_n \cap G_{n+1} = \begin{cases} \emptyset & \text{if } p_n \text{ is odd,} \\ G_{p_{\frac{n+1}{2}}, n+1} & \text{if } p_{n+1} \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$

On $G - \{0\}$ we define the function

$$q(x) = \frac{m_n}{\sin \frac{\pi l}{p_{n+1}}} \quad \text{if } x \in G_{l,n+1}, \quad l = 1, 2, \dots, p_{n+1}-1; \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots.$$

In [7, p. 135] the following relations are proved:

$$(8) \quad c_1 \ln p_{n+1} \leq \int_{G_n - G_{n+1}} q(t) dt \leq c_2 \ln p_{n+1} \quad (n = 0, 1, 2, \dots),$$

where $c_1 > 0$ and c_2 are constants and

$$(9) \quad m_n \leq q(x) \leq m_{n+1}/2 \quad \text{if } x \in G_n - G_{n+1}.$$

In [6, Theorem 1] the following estimate is obtained: for every integer $n \geq 1$ and $x \in G - \{0\}$

$$(10) \quad |D_n(x)| \leq 2q(x).$$

A simple consequence of (9) and (10) is the following (proved in [8, 3.6.]): for every integer $n \geq 1$, $k \geq 1$, and $t \in G - G_k$,

$$(11) \quad |D_n(t)| \leq m_k.$$

§ 1. Some lemmas on the variation of functions

Let $P_k = \{x = \{x_k\}_{n=1}^\infty \in G : x_k = 0 \text{ or } x_k = p_k - 1\}$ (the coordinates of $\{x_k\}_{n=1}^\infty \in P_k$ other than the k -th one are arbitrary). Then

$$(12) \quad P_k = \left[0, \frac{1}{m_k}\right] \cup \left[1 - \frac{1}{m_k}, 1\right] \cup \left(\bigcup_{l=1}^{m_k-1} \left[\frac{l}{m_{k-1}} - \frac{1}{m_k}; \left(\frac{l}{m_{k-1}} + \frac{1}{m_k}\right) - \right]\right).$$

From equation (12) it follows easily that

$$(13) \quad \mu(P_k) = 2/p_k,$$

where $\mu(E)$ denotes the measure of the measurable set $E \subset G$.

Put $P = \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} P_k = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{k=n}^{\infty} P_k$. (13) implies that

$$(14) \quad \mu(P) \leq 2/\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n,$$

and if $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n = \infty$, then $\mu(P) = 0$. P is the set of all points $\{x_n\}_{n=1}^\infty \in G$ for which the coordinates x_k are 0 or $p_k = 1$ except finitely many of them. Set

$$(15) \quad Q = G - P.$$

Then for every point $x = \{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty} \in Q$ one can find an increasing sequence of integers $\{n_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$, depending on $x \in Q$, such that $x_{n_k} \neq 0$ and $x_{n_k} \neq p_{n_k} - 1$. It follows from (14) and (15) that

$$(16) \quad \mu(Q) \geq 1 - \frac{2}{\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n},$$

and if $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} p_n = \infty$, then $\mu(Q) = \mu(G) = 1$.

Note that $P = G$ and $Q = \emptyset$ in the case $p_n \equiv 2$.

Just as in the case of the interval $[a, b] \subset [0, 1]$ (see e.g. [3, p. 202]) we define the variation of the function $f(x)$ on the set $E \subset G$ in the following way:

$$(17) \quad V(E) = V(E, f) = \sup_{\substack{y_1, \dots, y_n \in E \\ y_1 < y_2 < \dots < y_n}} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} |f(y_{k+1}) - f(y_k)|.$$

Let $V(G)$ be the set of functions of bounded variation on G and $CV(G) = C(G) \cap V(G)$. We have

Lemma 4. *For any point $x \in Q$, the inequality*

$$(18) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} V(x + (G_n - G_{n+1}), f) \geq \left| \lim_{\substack{t \rightarrow x \\ t > x}} f(t) - \lim_{\substack{t \rightarrow x \\ t < x}} f(t) \right|$$

is satisfied under the condition that all quantities in (18) exist.

Proof. Set $l_1 = \lim_{\substack{t \rightarrow x \\ t > x}} f(t)$ and $l_2 = \lim_{\substack{t \rightarrow x \\ t < x}} f(t)$.

Let $x = \{x_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$. Since $x \in Q$, there exists a sequence of integers $\{n_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ such that $1 \leq x_{n_k} \leq p_{n_k} - 2$ because $x_{n_k} \neq 0$ and $x_{n_k} \neq p_{n_k}$. So,

$$(19) \quad \tilde{x}_{n_k-1} < \tilde{x}_{n_k} < x < (\tilde{x}_{n_k} + 1/m_{n_k}) - < (\tilde{x}_{n_k-1} + 1/m_{n_k-1}) - ,$$

where \tilde{x}_{n_k} is determined by formula (4).

By (3) we have

$$(20) \quad \tilde{x}_{n_k} - \in x + (G_{n_k-1} - G_{n_k}) \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{x}_{n_k} + \frac{1}{m_{n_k}} \in x + (G_{n_k-1} - G_{n_k}).$$

Let $\varepsilon > 0$, then there exists N such that for any integer $k \geq N$ the following inequalities hold (see (19)):

$$(21) \quad |f(\tilde{x}_{n_k}) - l_2| < \varepsilon \quad \text{and} \quad \left| f\left(\tilde{x}_{n_k} + \frac{1}{m_{n_k}}\right) - l_1 \right| < \varepsilon.$$

From (20) and (21) we get

$$\begin{aligned} V(x + (G_{n_k-1} - G_{n_k})) &\geq \left| f\left(\tilde{x}_{n_k} + \frac{1}{m_{n_k}}\right) - f(\tilde{x}_{n_k}) - l_1 + (l_1 - l_2) + l_2 \right| \geq \\ &\geq |l_1 - l_2| - \left| f\left(\tilde{x}_{n_k} + \frac{1}{m_{n_k}}\right) - l_1 \right| - |f(\tilde{x}_{n_k}) - l_2| > |l_1 - l_2| - 2\epsilon. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 4 is proved.

Consequently, if at a point $x \in Q$ we have

$$V(x + (G_n - G_{n+1}), f) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty, \quad \text{then } l = \lim_{t \rightarrow x} f(t)$$

exists, so that x is either a point of continuity of $f(t)$ or $f(t)$ has a removable discontinuity in x .

Since

$$\lim_{\substack{t \rightarrow l/m_n \\ t < l/m_n}} f(t) \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{\substack{t \rightarrow l/m_n \\ t > l/m_n}} f(t)$$

are not defined, the following is true.

Lemma 5. *Every discontinuity of the first kind of the function $f(t)$ is removable at any $\{p_n\}$ -rational point $x \in G$ (that is, at a point of the form (2) and also at $x=0$ and $x=1$).*

§ 2. Main theorems and their consequences

I. Jordan test for pointwise and uniform convergence. Let $n \geq 1$ be an integer and $f(t) \in V(G)$.

Theorem 1. 1) *If $f(t)$ is continuous at a point $x \in G$, then the following inequality is true:*

$$(22) \quad |S_n(x; f) - f(x)| \leq 2c_2 V(x + (G_k - G_{k+1}), f) \ln p_{k+1} + o(1), \quad n \rightarrow \infty,$$

where the constant c_2 is determined by (8) and the integers n and k satisfy

$$(23) \quad m_k \leq n < m_{k+1}.$$

2) *If $f(t) \in CV(G)$, then (22) holds uniformly on G .*

The following statement follows easily from Theorem 1.